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AT THE NATIONAL CAPITAL

JUSTICE DANIEL T. WRIGHT MAY BE IMPEACHED

CHARGES ARE BROUGHT AGAINST HIM

By Substantial Citizens—Emancipation Commemorative Organization to be Incorporated—Notes of General Interest.

(Thompson's National News Bureau.)

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Feb. 23.—Justice Daniel Thew Wright, of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, faces the menace of impeachment proceedings, if the charges lodged against him by some of Washington's most substantial citizens can be sustained. At the instance of a committee from the Interdenominational Ministers' Association of the District, Representative William S. Bennett, of New York, a resolution calling attention to language said to have been used by Justice Wright in sentencing a colored man for purse snatching, and suggesting that "if said alleged language be found subversive of the ends of justice and fairness, that impeachment proceedings be begun at once against the said Daniel Thew Wright, justice of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia."

The committee which waited upon Representative Bennet to protest against the attitude of Justice Wright was made up of Drs. J. Milton Waldron, D. E. Wiseman, F. J. Grimke, A. C. Garner, former Judge E. M. Hewlett, Lawyers J. H. Stewart, William Harris, Rev. S. L. Corrothers and others, the party numbering fifteen in all.

The case which called forth the episode in which Justice Wright now figures so unpleasantly was one in which a colored man was convicted of snatching a purse from the hands of a woman, who happened to be white. Justice Wright, in sentencing the Negro to fifteen years in the penitentiary for the offense, is said to have given evidence of passion far from becoming to a judicial officer, and, among other heated and violent remarks suggestive of race feeling, is reported as saying: "From the viewpoint of the white women of the national capital, it is not to be tolerated that a colored man should dare to put his hands on one of them. A man of your color who lays a hand on a white woman will not be tolerated, if I can help it. How dare a man of your color to put your hands on a woman of the white race here in the capital of the nation?"

The charges allege that such language, accompanied by heat, is unworthy of a judge, and advertises him as temperamentally unfit for a position on the bench of a high court. The position is taken by the complainants that there is no color distinction in crime, and, while making to objection even to the severity of the sentence (although it appears excessive), the query presents itself: Is not such a crime of equal gravity if committed against a woman of any race, white or colored? Would the punishment have been as great had the victim been a colored woman? Declaring sympathy with the enforcement of the law impartially against all criminals, the petitioners conclude:

"The words of Justice Wright may tend to penalize one race in a different manner from the others for like offenses. Any man of any race who lays his hands unlawfully upon any woman of any race should be punished according to law, and not according to race."

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The colored people of the city are deeply agitated over the matter, and the indignation over the unusual attitude of Justice Wright is universal. The defiant statement of the Justice that he intended to mete out the same punishment to any other Negro who dared to snatch a white woman's purse added fuel to the flame.

Led by Dr. Waldron and ex-Judge Hewlett, the matter will be pushed to the bitter end, and even if the impeachment of the offending jurist does not result from the agitation, the incident will serve as a warning to others on the local benches that the Negro is wide-awake and will not silently allow his rights to be set aside. It is pretty safe to say that Justice Wright will "never again" be guilty of using such uncalled-for language in his court.

When sought by a reporter last week, to secure from him a statement on the subject, Justice Wright was confined to his home under a physician's care, but word was sent out that he had "absolutely nothing to say in the matter." Several other civic and educational bodies have adopted resolutions sustaining the ministers and lawyers, and urging Representative Bennet to make the investigation thorough. It is remarked as significant that Justice Wright is a Republican and hails from Ohio, and is one of the justices to whom falls the duty of electing the members of the Board of Education, three of whom, by la wor custom, are Negroes.

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The News in Brief.

Bishop Alexander Walters, of the A. M. E. Zion Church, was in the city several days this week. He delivered an instructive lecture on "Africa" at the Metropolitan A. M. E. Zion Church on Friday evening, preached three times at Zion churches on Sunday, and on Monday evening he participated in a national meeeting in the interest of Livingstone College, held at Galbraith A. M. E. Church. The accomplishments and needs of Livingstone College, at Salisbury, N. C., were pointed out and steps were taken to raise a large fund for its benefit. Dr. W. P. Thirkield, president of Howard University; Dr. J. Milton Waldron, Prof. Kelly Miller, Dr. S. L. Corrothers and Congressman William Sulzer, of New York, also spoke.

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A good-sized boom for Former Recorder John C. Dancy for editor of the Star of Zion has appeared on the Washington horizon. Why may not such an able editor, writer and well-informed man of affairs "come back?"

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A testimonial in honor of Prof. John T. Layton, who has been director of the Metropolitan A. M. E. Church choir for over thirty years, is talked of. It will probably be held in the early spring, at the New Howard Theater. Prof. Layton has helped everybody and every cause, and a benefit for him will be enthusiastically supported by the people at large.

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Assistant United States District Attorney William Henry Lewis, of Boston, is expected in the city in a few days.

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A grand banquet was tendered Friday night, at the Nineteenth Street Baptist Church, in honor of the doctors who have given such efficient service during the year for the free clinic, conducted in the interest of needy colored persons, at the Nineteenth Street Baptist Church. The attendance was large and representative.

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The big athletic meet, scheduled for Convention Hall on March 11, bids fair to be a monumental success. Gold medals will be offered for a large program of "events," and the contestants will all be men of quality.

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The Emancipation Commemorative Society is adding new recruits at each of its Monday night meetings at Lincoln Memorial Church. Additional officers have been elected as follows: J. M. H. Young, recording secretary; James A. Davis, treasurer; James L. Neill, financial secretary; Daniel Freeman, Rev. W. W. Mayle and John A. Gray, vice-presidents; Rev. Sterling N. Brown, chaplain, and H. H. Roberts, sergeant-at-arms. The society is to be incorporated under a special act of Congress and an elaborate celebration of the emancipation of the Negro is to be held in 1913. The society is headed by Prof. Jesse Lawson, and E. L. Scott, of Texas, is corresponding secretary.

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The students of Howard University will not attend the lectures at the Government Hospital for the Insane, since Superintendent W. A. White weakened at the instance of kicking white students and shunted an assistant off on them, with special colored insane subjects. Their dignified stand is approved by the citizens who are acquainted with the details of the incident.

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A colored dentist who wishes to locate in Chicago, with a lucrative business assured, can learn something to his advantage by communicating with Dr. A. Wilberforce Wulliams, 3255 State Street, Suite A, Chicago.

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The Lincoln Arcade directorate gave an enjoyable old-fashioned "log-cabin dinner" last Saturday night, at Martin's. The plans for the handsome $100,000 structure were shown and explained, and all are delighted with the showing the building is to make. A large black of shares were sold, and those who had already contracted for stock delivered speeches in approval of the project. It is expected to break ground for the structure within a few months, at the latest, and have it ready for occupancy by the spring of 1913. John C. Dancy, T. J. Calloway, Walter A. Pinchback and W. Sidney Pittman are devoting the greatest share of their time to the work of pushing the enterprise, and the entire company, here and elsewhere, is lending substantial encouragement. The address of Hon. Harry S. Cummings, who came over from Baltimore expressly to attend the dinner, was a notable plea for the commercial development of the race through just such ventures as the "Lincoln Arcade."

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The situation looks brighter for the colored schools of the District than they did a fortnight ago, when the House cut down the amounts recommended by the District committee for our educational needs. The Senate has restored the following items to the District appropriation bill, which had been rejected by the House: Normal school site, $75,000; addition to Deanwood School, $16,000; site for Manual Training School, twelfth division, $54,000; site for new M Street High School, $60,000. The bill is now in conference, and it is hoped that there will be little, if any, change in the foregoing amounts when the measure is finally agreed upon. The appropriation of $125,000 to convert Willow Tree Alley into a playground has an ex- will relieve South Washington of one of its most notorious plague spots.

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Dr. E. D. Williston, one of Washington's best informed and most observant physicians, is preparing to deliver a lecture on "Hygiene and Sanitation" at an early date.

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Two pamphlets bearing upon the development of the Negro people are being read with interest by the citizens hereabouts. They are "The Negro in the New World," by Dr. Booker T. Washington (reprinted from the Journal of the African Society), and "Is Liberia Worth Saving?" by Emmett J. Scott, late Commissioner of the United States to the Liberian Republic (reprinted from the Journal of Race Development).. Both are worthy of careful perusal, and the salient features should be discussed by the many literary societies which abound at the capital and elsewhere.

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Arrangements are being made for a mammoth race conference, to be held in this city, next December. It will be held under the direction of the Administration Republican Clubs of the United States, of which James W. Poe is president. Regular meetings are being held each week, and Mr. Poe says he has assurance from all of the important States that delegations will be sent. The friends of the administration here declare that they believe that the stalwart Republicans ought to get together, and if the leading office-holders will not "father" the movement, there should be no objection on their part if somebody else steps in and sounds the tocsin.

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Dr. Minnie A. Crews, associated for some years past with Gray & Gray, pharmacists, enjoys the unique distinction of being the first lady of her race to pass the new District of Columbia pharmacy law, entitling her to practice not only in Washington, but in twenty other States.

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W. D. Johnson, special agent of the General Land Office, proposes Senator William O'Connell Bradley as the running-mate with President Taft in the 1912 race.

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Miss Nannie H. Burroughs, president of the National Training School for Girls, at Lincoln Heights, announces that the Institution owes only $800 on its six acres of land, and is gratified at the steady encouragement that all classes have given her work. The two frame buildings, however, are quite inadequate for the service she wishes to render, and efforts are being made to provide an industrial hall, which will cost $50,000; a model house, to cost $3,500; a laundry, which will prove an earning enterprise, to cost $3,000; a windmill, to cost $250. In three years Miss Burroughs has paid out $11,000 for buildings and grounds and furnishings, and kept up the salaries of five teachers and all of the running expenses, without calling upon white friends to help. Isn't that "going some"?

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The Wilberforce Musical Association has been organized and are in constant demand for concerts, dances, etc., as all of the members are well known and popular in social circles. Officially and artistically they are placed as follows: J. Sherman Hunnicut, director and violin; K. F. Phillips, manager, violin and piano; E. L. Burns, treasurer and drums; W. P. Bayless, secretary and second violin; J. W. Anderson, 'cello; W. C. Hunnicut, flute; F. G. Haley, trombone; N. Nathan Nesbitt, clarinet; W. Calvin Chase, Jr., cornet. The Wilberforcians stand together in all things and give a fine example of the the united "college spirit" that must warm the cockles of the heart of that amiable "prexy," President W. S. Scarborough, affectionately and facetiously known as "Scab."

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"The Odeon," perhaps the finest moving picture and vaudeville theater ever erected for colored patrons, is nearing completion. It is located on Church Street, off of Fourteenth Street, Northwest, and is perfect in all its appointments. It is owned by H. H. Elliott, a white grocer, and will be opened shortly.

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At the "Hiawatha Theater," Manager T. Spencer Finley gave evidence of his grasp of things by pulling off special celebrations on Lincoln, Douglass and George Washington's birthdays. Finley and Beckett have a good black-face act this week.

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The Washington Post contained a vigorous and outspoken editorial Sunday morning, denouncing in scathing fashion the outrageous performance of a Georgetown (Ky.) court in giving a Negro a life sentence for stealing a turkey on Christmas eve. The Post pronounces the punishment excessive to the last degree, and calls upon the Governor of Kentucky and the United States Senators to interfere in the interest of fair play. Bully for the Post!

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The colored Indianians residing in Washington have decided to organize. A conference is called for next Sunday, to devise ways and means looking toward the formation of an "Indiana Club."

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The Negroes of this community are jubilant over the defeat of New Orleans for the Panama Exposition. Nobody wanted a city to win such an important honor which did not have sufficient respect for the Negro race to suspend its "Jim Crow" restrictions while company was present from all parts of the world. It was noticeable that after the city officials refused the very reasonable suggestion of an "open door," offered by the National Baptist Convention, even Col. James Lewis, Editor Robert E. Jones, Register W. L. Cohen and Gos. P. B. S. Pinchback, all staunch Southerners, declined to exert their influence in favor of the project. The Negro is a valuable asset to the South, and he deserves to be treated with a greater degree of respect by the progressive element of the whites in matters of a public nature. New Orleans has been taught a lesson by this humiliating defeat.

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The Colored Business High School may install a course in banking, according to plans brought forward by George H. Murray, of the Commercial Department of the institution.

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The rush of business at the end of the Congressional session is again jeopardizing the passage of the bill to reimburse the depositors of the Freedmen's Bank. Col. J. W. Lyons, without money and without hope of personal reward, is laboring night and day in behalf of the measure, and hope is still expressed that its champions may find a chance to slip it through at a psychological moment.

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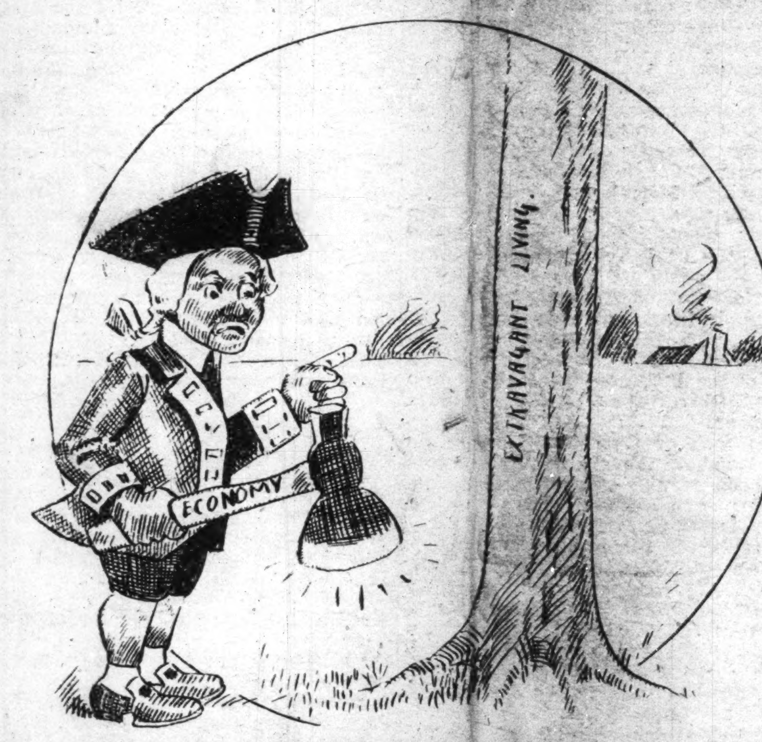
The first issue of the Odd Fellows' Journal has appeared. It has been reduced to four pages, but the manager, Mr. H. P. Slaughter, says the reading matter is not lessened—that a lot of "dead ads" have been cut out. The new head—an Old English text—is an improvement. Joseph Magowan, of Mt. Sterling, Ky., said to be an excellent printer, is foreman of the composing room Philadelphia come W. P. Young, linotype operator; Leslie Redding, pressman; Miss Evelyn Henderson, bookkeeper, and Miss Europe, stenographer.

CUT IT DOWN.



Live According to Your Means.

MARDI GRAS DAYS JUST AHEAD.

A Unique Party—Cameron White, Virtuoso.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

MOBILE, ALA.—The weather has been unusually warm for this season of the year. The trees are budding and the grass is growing just the same as in the spring. Some of the oldest inhabitants say that this is a strange sight for them, and many fear that a cold wave will come and set back the crops. However, we trust that the worst will not come.

The city has already begun to fill with strangers, to be in attendance at the Mardi Gras, which promises to be one of the most elaborate given in the history of Carnival Week. The beginning will be on February 26, the end on February 28.

There was a delightful affair given on Monday afternoon, February 13, by Mrs. Carrie N. Wilkerson. It was a Lincoln celebration and card party. The decoration of the interior of the home was of the national colors, stars and stripes, and colored bunting. To add to the beautiful effect, the arrangement of the card tables was very unique, the formation of the space occupied making the letter "L." In the center of the parlor was a large palm, giving to the scene a beautiful appearance of spring, the mantles covered with large vases of roses clustered therein. The dining room represented a garden, the tables being decorated with carnations, pink shaded tapers in silver candelabra, and many handsome appointments. The ladies were all looking their very best in their evening gowns. Each one of the guests was given a souvenir, the ladies receiving bon-bon booklets and the gentlemen bouquets of old glory in the shape of a miniature United States flag. A delicious collation was served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. Dixon and Mrs. Hall. At the punch bowl Mrs. F. W. Tobin presided. The afternoon was a delightful one for the many guests who were present.

The Order of Doves, a mystic society of this city, gave their annual ball at the Masonic Temple on Thursday night last, the affair being a happy event for the lads and lassies who tripped the light fantastic toe.

Mr. Ralph Clemmons, the baseball magnate, will represent Mobile's interests at the second call of the Colored League, which will meet in New Orleans on the 27th. Handsome Peter tells us that some good games are to be played in the city this spring, and he has plenty of dope that he will let out later through the columns of the Freeman.

Mr. Frank H. Leavens, one of the leading barbers of Mobile, after a brief illness, died last week. The funeral services were held in State Street Church last Friday afternoon.

The recital of Prof. Clarence Cameron White, given at Big Zion Church, was the best musical treat of the season. He is one of the most gifted Negro violinists of this age, and his execution of classical music is far above the average.

Freeman can be found at the Gulf City Drug Store, 512 Congress, and Davis Avenue., every Saturday. Single copies, 5c each.

HENDERSON, KY.

Mrs. Lizzie Wheeler entertained Thomas Law Circle No. 22 at her residence, S. Alves street, Monday, Feb. 13, 1911.... The marriage of Mr. Geo. Ellis and Miss Ellen Polk, took place Wednesday evening, Feb. 15th, at the bride's residence. Rev. Wm. J. Price officiated....The Mother's Club met with Mrs. Wm. J. Price, Dixon street, Thursday the 16th.. ..The attendance at the churches last Sunday was small, on account of the inclement weather....Miss Daisy Moss met with a painful accident Monday by falling, whether due to the sleet or not have not learned....Club No. 2, Peace Temple No. 63, met with Mrs. Frances Ray, 8th street, Monday afternoon....The beautiful residence of Dr. W. J. Weston, on Alvasia street was damaged by fire and water Monday morning. The fire was discovered by the doctors wife before it had made much headway....Mrs. M. I. Woolfolk entertained Club No. 1, Peace Temple No. 63, S. M. T., Monday evening, from 8 to 9....The Harmony Club gave a hatchet hunt at the residence of Miss J. M. Carr, Wednesday, 22nd. A prize was given to the lucky finder....Those inclined to doubt the prophecy of Mr. Groundhog have by this time changed their minds.

M. I. WOOLFOLK.

PAST WEEK AT LOUISVILLE

COLORED LAWYER WRITES FIVE ACT MELO-DRAMA

WILL BE STAGED BY NEGRO COMPANY

At Chicago in the Near Future—Civic League Held Importan Meeting—Mrs. J. B. Marvin Addresses Loyalty Club.

Louisville, Ky., Special.

Mr. H. R. Harper, who has for the past forty years, stood at the bar of Jefferson county, and defended the unfortunates of his race, often without reward or hope of reward, has at last entered the field of dramatic literature. Mr. Harper is without doubt the ablest colored practitioner in point of continuous service that the race affords in the legal profession. He has the respect of the entire bench and bar, which was made most signally plain a few years ago, when the Hon. Reginald B. Thompson, an ex-confederate soldier, appointed him as temporary judge in the city court, an honor never before nor since accorded a man of color. He has been a prominent figure in many a celebrated criminal trial, and always to the front in all movements for the welfare of his race. It was through his tact and diplomacy that the Armory was secured for the sessions of the Women's Federation of clubs last year and has taken a leading part in all musical and literary affairs of our people in this city since the war. He found his inspiration in the meeting of the Women's Club. He has just completed a five-act melo-drama "Tallaboo," or "Swept by Fire to Fame and Fortune." It will be staged by a professional Negro company at Chicago.

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Mr. Jas. Stanford left yesterday for Danville, Ky., on a business trip, covering several days.

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The Civic League held an important meeting on Washington's birthday at Odd Fellows Hall. The executive committee is composed of W. T. Merchant, J. W. Bowles, W. H. Leonard, George Roberts and Dudley dwards. The division captains are: J. E. Stanford, M. B. Tayloe, Sam Combs, John Courtney, Virgil Stone, J. T. Wright and John Hockings.

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Mr. L. B. Herndon, late of the "Down in Dixie" minstrels, has come home to pay a visit to his friends and family.

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Mrs. J. B. Marvin, of the noted philanthropic Norton family, delivered a brilliant address on "Charity" to the Loyalty Club on the 23rd inst., at the home of Mrs. Hattie Bowman, 638 15th street. This club of ladies is doing a great and good work for the community, by aiding needy and worthy children in securing the necessaries of life, so as not to be prevented by poverty from getting what instruction our schools afford. Mrs. Nora K. Bell is the president, and a tireless worker.

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Mr. Fred Brewer, mixologist at the Williams' cafe, 9 West Walnut street, is down with pneumonia.

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Mrs. Lena Mason, well known evangelist, has inaugurated a revival at Asbury A. M. E. church to continue till March 5th. Rev. A. J. Dodd, pastor, and G. S. Baker, secretary.

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The industrial bureau of the Knights of Pythias have received the report of its president, Mr. J. L. V. Washington, which showed that the investment is paying a 5 per cent dividend.

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Mr. Walter Tolbert, Spanish-American war veteran, underwent a surgical operation a few days ago at the National Medical Hospital, and has been removed to his home, 1414 W. Walnut street, where he is resting easy, with chances of a speedy recovery.

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Prof. Abe Adams has reorganized his orchestra and is very much in demand at entertainments. It consists of himself as cornetist, Jno. Green, pianist, John Emery trombonist and Albert Smith, drummer.

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The Jefferson County Teachers' Association held a meeting Thursday in the school building in Parkland. An excellent program was rendered and the superintendent, Prof. O. J. Stivers, addressed the teachers on the subject, "Our Next Step."

Miss Bell Davis, one of our young Normal graduates, is assisting the principal at the Central high school.

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Dr. Pindar M. Flack is recovered from an illness that confined him for several weeks.

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Mr. Huston Cox, of Bowling Green, is in the city on account of the illness of his uncle, Byron Cox, of 527 Centre street.

Mr. Sylvester Loring is doing a fine business in the house-furnishing line on Ninth street.

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Mr. W. H. Parker asked for a certificate of character from the county judge, for the purpose of taking the bar examination. He will begin practice in this city. Mr. Parker has been a persistent student of the law, and we expect him to give a good account of himself in Shelby county. Mr. W. H. Wright made the motion.

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Mr. Eugene Johnson will attend the Mardi Gras at New Orleans.

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Mrs. Henry Wallace was the hostess at a beautiful luncheon given at her home Monday evening, Feb. 13, at 1935 Cedar street. The decorations were pink and white. The table was beautifully decorated with carnations and smilax, and was loaded down with the delicacies of the season. The ices and mints were white hearts. The music, vocal and instrumental, was furnished by Mr. Mike Jackson. The guests were: Mrs. Estell, Mrs. Cooper, Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Bowman, Mrs. Cosby, Mrs. Kirk, Mrs. Major, Mrs. Clay, Mrs. McCohn, rs. Ray, Mrs. Abel, Mrs. Ease, Mrs. Daniel.

A VALENTINE PARTY.

The Caldwell-Allen Nuptials—Notes in General.

Pensacola, Fla., Special to THE FREEMAN.

Miss Inez Jordan delightfully entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Jordan last Monday night, at a Valentine party. The house was beautifully decorated in red hearts. Games and music was the feature of the evening. delicious refreshment was served to the guests. Among those present were: Misses Eulise Allen, Gertrude Burton, Effie Irvine, Allie Patterson, Alma Gregory, Lillian Gregory, Alma Aaron, Katie Freeman, Idell Sunday, Leola Sunday, Susie Jackson, Cora Richardson, Bessie Benjamin, the hostess Inez Jordan, Mrs. E. F. Aaron, Mrs. Louis Gilmore, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Jordan and Mrs. Jordan, Messrs. Clarence Lee, Jackson Turner, Wm. Bryant, Leo Claiborne, Reuben Lampkin, Randolph McCurdy, Frank Sawyer, Sidney Jordan, C. Allen, Frank Garnet, Isaac Sheffield, Horace Goode, Walker W. Thomas....The Afro American concert was given at Mt. Zion church last Teusday night, Feb. 21, and was a great success. It was given for the benefit of public school No. 31. The concert was composed of the pupils of the school, and everyone who attended was well pleased with the way Prof. Kirkley arranged his students. ....A successful operation was performed on Master Archie Borras last week for a tumor in his nose. He is doing fine, and his friends are glad to see him out.... The Caldwell and Allen wedding took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Caldwell last Wednesday, Feb. 15. Many beautiful presents were given to the young couple. Many of their friends wish them a long and happy wedded life....Mr. Russell Robinson has been in Milton, Fla., for the past few days attending his sick brother, Mr. Eddie Robinson of that city. His friends here hope he will soon recover.... The Elks will give a mask ball some time next month that will be one of the big social events of the season....The local whist players have formed clubs with the following members: Ben Brown, Ed Walter, Homer Sims, Ed Borras, Francis Lawrence, Alle Borras, Walter Bagget, Mike Borras, Ed Bagget, Georgia Garnet, Arthur Robinson. There will be several series played by these clubs....Mr. Ed Washington, of 813 N. Deviller street, died last Friday, and was buried on Saturday morning....The Rising Star Club gave a Hobble Skirt dance at the K. of C. Hall last Monday night, Feb. 20. Quite a large crowd was in attendance. Committee on arrangement: Mrs. Mary Claiborne, Mrs. Mary Gary, Mr. Ed Golden, Mr. Leo Claiborne....The Young Men's Educational League rendered a very interesting subject on educational nature. A very large crowd was in attendance. R. L. Carter, president; W. A. Stollwortle, secretary. This league meets at the Pensacola Normal School every Sunday evening at 3:30 o'clock. The public is invited....The Old Folks and Orphans' Home will soon be erected on the West Hill....Mr. John H. Mitchell, one of our first class waiters, who has been head waiter at several of the leading hotels of the city, has opened a first-class cafe on east Intendencia street. Everybody is invited to drop in and inspect his place of business....During the absence of Rev. T. L. Jones of Mt. Zion church, Rev. G. T. Holman will preside over services....Rev. G. W. Lewis was present at the lecture of the Union Mutual Aid Association last Saturday morning and made a most excellent talk on how to get new business. The superintendent and his assistant express themselves as being greatly benefitted by Dr. Lewis' talk....While visiting at Warrington, Fla., don't forget to get a Freeman at Dalphin cafe....Talbot Chapel A. M. E. Zion church has a very neat and conveniently arranged printed program bulletin board....The entertainment given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Sheppard was a great success for the benefit of Allen Chapel A. M. E. church....Mrs. Eliza Wilkins is confined to her bed on account of illness. Her many friends wish her a speedy recovery....Mrs. Williams, sister of Mrs. Callie Mills, has returned from Alabama, after visiting her relatives....The mother of Mrs. Pauline Jackson, on North E. street, has been quite ill for the past few weeks....The Catholic Benevolent Association entertained at their hall on West Government street. Quite a large number were in attendance. Music was furnished by Collins' full orchestra....Prof. M. N. M. Bennetts orchestra gave a rehearsal at Allen Chapel for the benefit of the church last Monday night. Quite a large number were in attendance....The Goldstucker Bros. have moved into their $4,000 undertaker parlor and livery stable establishment, at 214 East Chase street, in a building of their own. Their many friends wish them a great success....Mrs. C. V. Smith is visiting friends in Columbia, Ga....Public school No. 56 gave a concert at the school building last Wednesday night. Quite a large number were present. Mrs. M. C. Burnett, principal; Mrs. Delia Campbell, assistant....Miss Eva Garrett, of Marianna, Fla., is the guest of Miss Connie Horton on West Belmont street. She has made quite a number of friends while here....Mr. A. M. DeVaughn left last week for Cottage Hill to spend a few weeks. His many friends hope he will improve in health.... Mr. John Patterson, one of our leading business grocers, reported to be doing fine business....While at the Pensacola drug store, don't forget to get a Freeman.... The Freeman reporter of this city will have all of the baseball games that is played here. Look for The Freeman and its new write up of baseball dope. Better than ever.

WALTER W. THOMAS, Special Agent.

CARMI (ILL.) NEWS.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The F. B. closed their meetings last Sunday....Mrs. Martha Yeager and Mrs. Mary Taylor, of Mt. Vernon, were in the city visiting last week....Miss Polly Rickman left for Indianapolis last Saturday.. ..M. E. Allen is agent for The Freeman, and every colored man in town should read it....The A. M. E. church observed Allen's day last Sunday, under direction Allen League....Miss Artie Smith gave a birthday party at her home on Sixth street last Tuesday night....Marshal Allen made a business trip to Cairo last week.... Hon. George Jessee, of Mattoon, was in the city last week, looking after lodge business.

Headache

"My father has been a sufferer from sick headache for the last twenty-five years and never found any relief until he began taking your Cascarets. Since he has begun taking Cascarets he has never had the headache. They have entirely cured him. Cascarets do what you recommend them to do. I will give you the privilege of using his name."—E. M. Dickson, 1120 Resiner St., W. Indianapolis, Ind.

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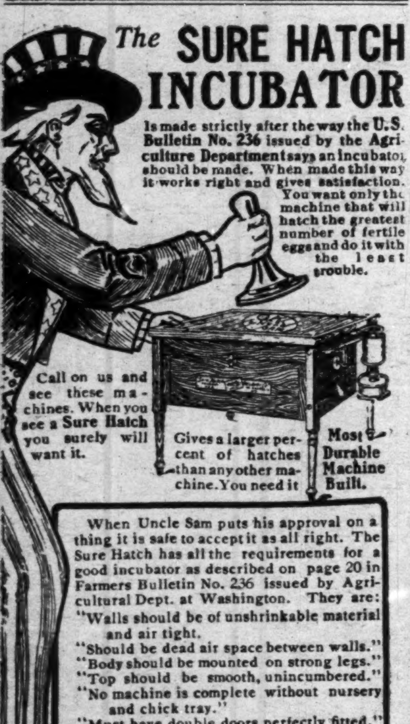

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By Land and Sea to Africa and Continental Europe.

Editor of The Freeman, Indianapolis, Ind.

I am now in Liverpool, Eng., today. I am feeling well and in good spirits. Of course I feel a little lonely, being entirely among strangers, and yet I am more sanguine and hopeful than one might suppose.

I left Mobile, Ala., Jan. 18th. Made several calls along the way, at Birmingham, Atlanta, Charlotte, Washington, D. C., Philadelphia and spent one week in New York with Bishop A. Walters and his most excellent family. We sailed for Liverpool Saturday, Jan. 28th, 11 a. m. Arrived at Queenstown Island Saturday evening, Feb. 4th, 11 p. m., Liverpool, Sunday evening, Feb. 5th, 8 p. m. We encountered heavy seas, gales, winds and high seas in great proportions. We sail on the steamship Laurentic. This was her 19th voyage across the great Atlantic. Out from New York she passed into Ambrose channel, passing the lighthouse vessel at $:41 p. m., Jan. 28th, via Queenstown for Liverpool, making the following record to destination.

Jan. 29—388 miles; latitude 40.20; Longitude 65.23; moderate N. W. gales, rough sea.

Jan. 30—408 miles; latitude 40.42; longitude 56.27; S. W. gales, rough sea.

Jan. 31—398 miles; latitude 40.59; latitude 47.42; strong S. W. gales, high sea, dangerous.

Feb. 1—376 miles; latitude 44.04; longitude 40.23; strong S. W. gales to strong winds.

Feb. 2—394 miles; latitude 47.17; longitude 32.11; strong winds, high sea and rough.

Feb. 3—389 miles; latitude 49.21; longitude 22.56; strong S. E. winds, bad sea.

Feb. 4—363 miles; latitude 50.54; longitude 13.49; fresh to light winds, rough sea.

Feb. 5—316 miles, to Daunts Rock. Arrived at this place 3:36 a. m., Feb. 5th. Arrived at Liverpool, Sunday evening, Feb. 5th, at 8 o'clock. Number of miles, 3,053; 8 days, 10 hrs. 55 minutes.

I am to remain in Liverpool ten days, before I can get passage down the West coast of Africa. Will leave here for Monrovia, Feb. 15th. Will spend two weeks there. One week in Cape Coast, five or six days in Accra. From Accra I shall go on to Quittah to my furthermost point South. Will arrive there April 5th. According to by schedule I shall finish up my work in Africa about May 15th. As I have said before, my purpose is to make a general investigation of the mission work being done there, by the different religious societies, as well as to investigate the natural resources of the country. The redemption of Africa for the Africans is the final solution to all interest in America. The American negros redemption comes with the redemtion of Africa for the black man.

Here in Europe I have discovered a serious problem, that is, a problem of poverty among the common people. It is because there is but little farming land. The people of Liverpool, London and other cities of greater Europe must get their product from abroad. I have never seen as much poverty among any people as I have seen here. Liverpool is a great place in many respects. First, it is the port for nearly all imports and exports of England. Its buildings are historic, massive and graceful. Its streets are clean and well kept. Its municipal government is royal. The Lords live well, the common people suffer. A shilling a day is good wages. Men and boys can be hired for 12 pence, 6 pence and less for a day's work. The chance for making bread is much better in America than here, and our people must take advantage of the opportunities that are within their reach and do something. I have made arrangements for my voyage down the coast with the Elder Deupster S. S. Co. I am stopping at the Bee Hotel, St. Johns Lane, Liverpool. You shall here from me again from Monrovia, West Coast Africa. I am, respectfully yours.

J. W. WOOD.

DALLAS (TEX.) LOCAL AND BUSINESS NOTES.

We have right here in Greater Dallas a few of the so-called "here and there" class of anybody's Negroes, who hang around the Greek restaurant and any saloon owned by the other races night and day, spending their money. But when they want and need favors, to the men of the race who are in business they run them down. It is time that this class of Negro men and women of that kind were made to go where they spend their money and get their favors. We see many white places on Central Avenue and Live Oak where Negro patrons are falling over one another to spend their earnings. Of course, it is theirs to spend. We see the cause in the Negro places. Some of them are always out of this or that, and never have what the public wants. So, Mister Colored Merchant and Business Man, get wise and keep stocked up, so that will be on you or your place of business....Mrs. Ed. Wilburn spent several days in the country at the bedside of sick relatives....Mr. Charlie M. Wade is championing the cause of better financial methods in Comet Lodge of Odd Fellows, which is meeting with success among the progressive ones of that institution.... Mr. Haywood Calhoun is here from Seattle, Wash., looking the look of the many who return home....We note the opening of four new tonsorial parlors here the past week: J. D. Jackson, 2520 Bryan Street; Rob & Robinson, 2211 Elm Street; Jim Overstreet, North Central Avenue; Ewing & Johnson, the Excelsior, 214 Ray Street. We tip our hat to these enterprises. Each week they have this paper for their patrons to read....Ladies' New York Tailors. Here to stay. A new line of spring and summer samples now ready for your inspection, before placing your orders for suits and skirts to suit. B. B. Ace, 708 North Central Avenue.... All Scottish Rite members are called to meet at Odd Fellows Hall the fourth Thursday night. Business of importance. Fail not, February 23, 1911. Official call....The various pastors of the city have been viewing among themselves for some time the various kind of evils in the city that are hurting the masses most. They now proclaim that none are so sure as the parading places of crime, like the moral debaucher, the home wrecker, the lewd women and idle ones who are permitted to do all kinds of evils here and there, and are never brought before the courts of the land for their deeds. They further claim that the way some of the so-called pleasure clubs are being conducted is a marker towards unchecked civilization to many of our people, and ask that something be done to lift many of the young men and women who go to these places to a higher plane of life and morality, and from the looks of things there is somebody being heard. In the past week four places were enjoined and four people at the four places were arrested, with two charges against them, and the end of it is not yet in sight, but it has put many a one out on the streets....The rains were a welcome visitor to the whole populace of Texas, owing to there being much sickness....The recall is having over nine rings these days, yet the new teachers for the night school are on the job and helping scholars of all ages....The Jackson Street fire was a close call to putting as many as eight Negro places of business out of business: The Dallas Express, Dixon's Restaurant, Simpson the tailor, Feltenberg Pool Room and Woolridge Barber Shop, Paul Davis' shop, a pressing and cleaning shop, King & Jordan Laundry and Dry Cleaners' Office.

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A glance at the 1911 edition of the National Baptist Sunday School Lesson Commentary shows that, as heretofore, the Baptists have marched steadily onward, making rapid improvement in their Sunday school publications, periodicals and prerequisites. The etter part of the study of the Sunday school lessons this year will be in the Old Testament, but this does not seem to have daunted the editorial staff who prepared the present publication which is brimful of useful helps, references and information on the Bible. It has its exposition on each lesson, its revised and authorized texts as well as primary questions.

The book on the whole is about as useful and complete a commentary as has been turned out, with a dictionary for each quarter's lesson, a calendar for the year, and the subjects and texts for the lessons of 1912.

The book is edited by Rev. R. H. Boyd, D.D., secretary of the Baptist Publishing Board, and Rev. W. S. Ellington, A. B., D.D., editorial secretary of the Publishing Board, who has charge of all the editorial work.

Dr. Boyd states that the edition last year was about 10,000. Just what it will be this year has not yet been determined, as it is too early in the season, but, however, one edition is already exhausted.

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WELL KNOWN WOMAN PASSES AWAY

Xenia, Ohio, Special.

Mrs. Ellen Russell, one of the best known women of the race in Southern Ohio, passed away at her home at Xenia after a long illness last week. Mrs. Russell is known throughout the middle West as the mother of one of the richest colored families in the commonwealth of the Buckeye state. She was born at Lexington, K., removing to Ohio in early life and settled at Xenia. Besides a husband, Mrs. Russell leaves several sons and daughters, all of whom, more or less, have made successes in life both in the trades and commercial pursuits. The husband was a successful plasterer and contractor and some of the sons later took to the craft of the father. Mr. W. T. Russeell, of 5436 State street, Chicago, is well known. Other sons are H. A. Russell of the firm of Russell & Dago, 3114 State street, Chicago, and C. H. Russell, engaged in the clothes cleaning business located in Xenia. Mrs. Russell is survived by several daughters: Mrs. Florence Scott, wife of C. H. Scott, engaged in the catering usiness in Xenia; Miss Susie Russell, principal of the school of cooking and dressmaking at Tuskegee, Ala.; Miss Etta Russell, engaged in fashionable dressmaking at Xenia and Mrs. Dora Taulbot, the wife of Secretary Taulbot, of Wilberforce, O. Other sons are: Mr. James Russell, plasterer and contractor, of Xenia, and Mr. Robert Russell, prescription druggist at Walnut Hill pharmacy at Cincinnati, O.

SHEFFIELD, ALA.

Special to The Freeman.

On last Friday night the Sheffield Hotel boys, who as all hotel men are, ever ready to help any worthy cause, headed by the chef, attended an entertainment given by what is called the Sheffield Normal College tonight, by a Prof. Bonner, who claims to be a nephew of the late Prof. Counsel of educational fame, though be regret to say that this normal is too normal to ever become of any note, given for the benefit of the school. The program as rendered to the handful that were present, was fit only for second grade scholars. Had it not been for Miss Alcena Rapier of Florence, a very talented pianist, who has tendered her resignation as teacher, because of nonpayment of salary, and has accepted a position as a teacher in the colored normal at her home, there would not have been anything entertaining at the close. Mr. Prof. Bornner or Bonner, gave a talk and directed his remarks to the young hotel men as he turned it, telling them in part to look up and don't be downcast because of their humble position. Having to wait on the white people, for great men rise from humble position. This man, who can easily be measured for his brains, is the first man to make such remarks in public or private, to hotel men. His unintelligent remarks enraged the hotel men, who have done so much for this would-be leader, who is threatened to be ousted for rent. Hon. W. W. Floyd, the chef, a man of wide experience, who has held several government positions of note, was chief commissioner of the state of Tennessee at Memphis for the Jamestown Exposition negro department, and last August represented Tennessee in St. Louis at the National Negro Educational Congress, and is vice president of the local organization to be launched in that state and city, dared to stand alone and defend the hotel men. Mr. Floyd resented by saying in part: Mr. President, calling his own name to him, Floyd, we don't feel the lowest down because of our position, which is not an humble one, but one of art, one of honest work and of no disgrace. Why should we feel down when the culinary art brings us from $75 to $125 per month. I can speak for the hotel man. He is intelligent, honest and ever ready to help religious and educational work. Many a young man has been put through college by waiting the table or doing other hotel work during the summer. The names of those who attended the entertainment: Mr. W. W. Floyd, chef, property owner; Bud Ross, head waiter, 12 years in this hotel; Mr. Gordie Allen 12 years head porter, property owner; Mr. R. B. Johnson, property owner; Mr. Henry Long, married, property owner; Mr. Augustus Yarbough, fireman and molder by trade; Mr. R. B. Burse, married, second chef; Albert Bats, married; Mose Phelton; Jas. Sykes, studying chemistry.

ST. PAUL, MINN.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Lincoln birthday was fittingly celebrated at Twin City Hall, 61 and 63 E. 5th street, Monday evening, Feb. 13, by Pilgrim Commandery No. 22 Knight Templars, and St. Paul Pariarchy No. 114, Reg. 12 G. U. O. of O. F.

Program:

Sir Knight Williams, master of ceremonies.

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Song—"America."

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Lincoln Proclamation, by Rev. A. H. Lealtad.

Toast to Knight Templars, by Rev. E. H. McDonald.

Toast to Patriarchy, by W. R. Morris.

Soprano solo, by Mrs. Addie Crawford Minor.

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Rev. H. P. Jones eulogized the great martyr in fitting manner.

Music was furnished by Prof. Hilyard Orchestra.

NAVASOTA, TEX.

Special to The Freeman.

As customary the Farmers' Improvement Society celebrated the birthday of Lincoln, the great emancipator, Feb. 12, throughout Texas. The exercises were held here at Friendship Baptist church, Principal A. E. McMillan, of the Navasota colored high school, being the master of ceremonies. The following persons participated in presenting and discussing the wise and humane qualities of the great commoner and philanthropist, to the delight of a large and appreciative audience: Reverends T. E. Edwards, Daniel Reece, J. W. Cornish, Monroe Daniel, Barnes and Mr. Ira Reece. Hon. R. L. Smith is at the head of this society, and it is a power in Texas....Rev. Williams, of True Vine Baptist church, preached two excellent sermons Sunday....Mrs. Mattie Hill is still very sick....Mrs. Tom McKinney is reported much better.... The Freeman on sale at Neal's.

IN THE FIELD OF SPORT

By Walker W. Thomas, Pensacola Fla.

Special to The Freeman.

The Pensacola Giants will soon start the ball rolling. The first game of the season will be with the Kansas City Royal Giants, March 18, 19, 20 and 21. Mr. Goldstudser has one of the best teams of the South and also has a new lineup, which all are good players. These games will be played at Lincoln park, which is now being put in first-class shape. Look out, you Kansas Royal Giants, you all know what these boys did in the Bluegrass state last season. Watch The Freeman for all the results. The following teams will be here: March 18 to 21, Kansas City Royal Giants; March 22 to 24, St. Louis Giants; March 29 to 30, Brooklyn Royal Giants; April 11 to 13, Cuban Stars; April 18 to 20, Philadelphia Giants; April 25, Frank G. Leland Giants, Pensacola, Fla.... The waiters and cooks of our city have awakened at last and organized a club. They hope to form a union. Headquarters will be at 518 W. Belmont street, Bell Phone 806. The following are the officers and members: B. F. Hilliard, president; Henry Holmes, vice president; Herbert Roberson, chairman of government board; Loenard Miller, chairman of entertainment committee; Jackson Horsey, chaplain and treasurer; A. Coppage, P. Dunham, J. E. Downs, Wm. Everett, Joe Rhoelac, Vernon Scott, W. W. Wilson, P. Welborn, A. Ward; J. F. Maxwell, secretary.

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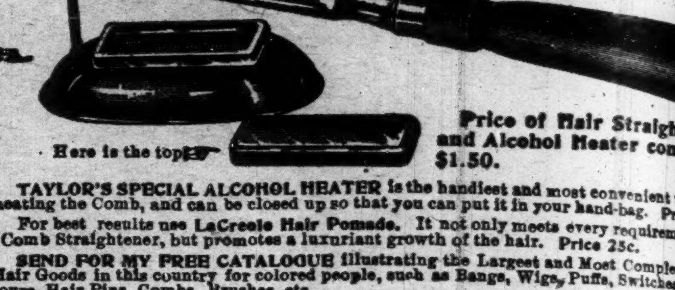

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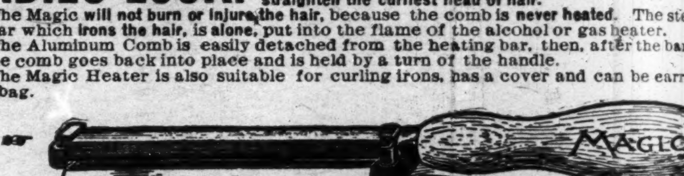

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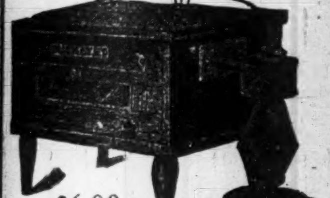

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About two hundred dollars were distributed among Negro adults and children for prize exhibits of corn and cereals, vegetables, canned and preserve fruits, domestic arts and science goods, and public school manual training.

John B. Pierce, Wellville, Va., a Hampton graduate, who has been most helpful to Virginia Negro farmers as a demonstration agent, delivered a forceful, Christian, common sense plea for improving the country schools and homes. He urged the Hampton students to make unusual sacrifice for their race.

Hon. William H. Mann, the agricultural governor of Virginia, Dr. Seaman A. Knapp, Washington, D. C., the master spirit of the Farmers' Co-operative Demonstration Work, Prof. William D. Hurd, the director of extension work at the Massachusetts Agricultural College, Amherst, Mass., Dr. Nelson A. Mayo, the well-known veterinarian of Blacksburg, Va., T. O. Sandy, Burkeville, Va., state agent of the U. S. Department of Agriculture. These men spoke words of hope and wisdom.

Members of the Hampton Agricultural Department delivered helpful and practical addresses on "Potato Raising," "Fertilizers," "Hog Diseases," "Poultry Production," "Flies and Mosquitoes," and "Bee Culture."

Governor Mann said. "We have in Virginia 25,612,000 acres of land. We are cultivating less than 4,000,000. We have not enough people in Virginia—only 2,061,000. If we had as many people in proportion as Massachusetts, 12,000,000, Virginia would be the empire state of the Union.

"If the farmers of Virginia averaged 61¾ bushels of corn to the acre, as did the boys who undertook the demonstration work for 1910, Virginia alone would produce annually 150,000,000 bushels of corn."

Dr. Knapp declared that the United States loses every year two billion dollars through losses by agricultural shortcomings that can be remedied. The demonstration work, corn clubs for boys, and canning and poultry clubs for girls, have increased the people's earning power and made them better citizens.

Professor Hurd spoke on "Transition in Agriculture" and "Corn Production." He advocated deep soil preparation and shallow cultivation for corn.

Thomas C. Walker, Gloucester, Va., a Hampton graduate and lawyer-farmer, who has helped his people buy and improve land, urged the farmers to secure property while they have the opportunity.

Hampton Institute is making possible the extension of Gen. Samuel C. Armstrong's ideas through its annual Farmers' Conference.

SEEING TUSKEGEE.

By a Visitor.

"Possibly Mr. Rockefeller has made no better use of money than that he donated for the erection of the splendid hall that bears his name. It is occupied by the boys, and is also used by visitors.

"The Tompkins dining room is a magnificent building that cost $175,000 and looks the reigning building of the campus. It has a students' dining room that accommodates 2,000. In this there is a balcony that accommodates an orchestra which discourses sweet music, while the students are at their meals. One student remarked that every meal had its sweets, if the orchestra was there.

"The teachers' dining room is also in this building, but is separate. Here 200 instructors dine and observe with minute precision the bells. Tardy persons are not served meals and if one claims to be sick he is accommodated at the hospital. The chef or head cook gave some interesting data of the kitchen. He was busy preparing for the guests attending the great conference. Planning for feeding students and guests for one day, he was getting in place, to cook for that one day, six barrels of flour to make into 10,000 hot biscuit, 130 gallons syrup, three wagon loads of sweet potatoes, (from the 12,000 bushels raised on the farm) 100 gallons of tea, 100 gallons of coffee, 500 pounds of pork, 500 pounds of beef, 200 pounds of beans, four sacks of meal, 25 bushels of peaches (canned) 10 bushels tomatoes, three bushels peas, eight bushels rutabagas, three barrels sugar, sack salt, 100 pounds butter, 125 gallons milk, 15 pounds pepper, two sacks rice, 300 blackberry pies and other pastry, two barrels sauer kraut, etc. To cook this he had sixteen assistant cooks, and to serve about 4,000 people for a day. The whole thing was done as smoothly as a good housewife would get up a cold lunch. The system and appointments of the kitchen are perfection. To cook on the day above referred to five tons of coal were used.

"The school choir of 300 persons renders music from the masters, but when it sings the Negro melodies every listener is won over, for in no other place can one hear to better advantage the Negro's own music sung as he can sing it. There is a band of 50 pieces which gave a concert that was of a high order. It would fill any large auditorium in the country with eager listeners should it follow or precede any other brass band of the country. The music is just 'sure enuf music' and one can never listen to it or the choir and forget. The chapel which seats more than 3,000 is a beautiful house and is the central religious home of the school. The chaplain, Rev. Wittaker, preaches every Sunday. All students are required to attend the Sunday school and church services. The principal, Dr. Washington, has a commodious home over which presides his wife, who is finely educated, a woman of rare accomplishments and a prophetess. She is heart and soul interested in the great work, having since her graduation from a well known university been there as an indispensable factor. She has successfully directed the industries of the girls and helped Dr. Washington in the great evolution of the school, for be it remembered that only thirty years ago the school began in a tumble down shanty in the heart district of the neglected blacks of Alabama.

"Professor John Washington, the brother of Dr. Washington, is a strong and remarkable man. He is director of industries and this trinity of Washingtons, the doctor, his wife and brother, are honored, loved and respected by all that know of the work, faith and sacrifices they made to bring about the results that the visitor sees at that great school.

"Thousand of the colored youth have been made not only intellectually and morally stronger by this school but they have had their earnings capacity increased ten, twenty or a hundred fold.

"It might rightly be called the eighth wonder of the world, a modern miracle and its chief builder, a model citizen, since he has been a pacificator, an industrial and intellectual force that had led men upward and onward."

ITEMS OF RACE INTEREST

Colored Philadelphia rejoices in the fact that it raised $25,000 in five days for the Y. M. C. A. building.

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The Williams Cigar Company, of Tampa, Fla., is said to be the largest Negro firm of cigar makers in the country.

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Mr. Israel H. Alexander, formerly of Chicago, Ill., was the only colored young man who successfully passed St. Paul's recent civil service examination.

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The executor of the estate of Mr. Andrew J. Dotger has recently turned over to the trustees of the Tuskogee Normal and Industrial Institute $404,893.57. This goes into the endowment fund of the institution.

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A movement has been started to place a memorial portrait in Howard University, to the late John Mercer Langston. The recognition is considered tardy, but nevertheless the movement will be heartily encouraged.

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J. H. Blodgett of Jacksonville, Fla., operates ten first-class automobiles on the streets of that city. Several of these machines are of the highest grade. They are kept busy day and night for pleasure parties and persons on business.

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The Christian Recorder is responsible for the statement that at the Bishop's Council recently held at Mobile, Ala., that it was made known that not less than forty candidates were in the field for bishopric honors, and quite as many for the general offices.

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The courtesy extended Bishop Alexander Walters, of the A. M. E. Zion Church, to address the lower branch of the Legislature of Pennsylvania recently, is considered remarkable. The bishop made a felicitous speech, treating on the rise and progress of the Negro race.

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It is said that disfranchisement of the Negro is aimed at in a proposed amendment to the State Constitution, which passed the lower house of the Legislature of Arkansas recently. The law contains the usual "grandfather" clause and provides an educational test in order to baffle the educated colored man.

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Richmond, Virginia has an up-to-date shoe store owned and operated by colored persons. This is the Capital Shoe and Supply Company. Four salesmen and one saleslady are employed. A well assorted and high grade stock of goods and polite, courteous and competent service is the company's slogan. The value of advertising is recognized by carrying a full page advertisement in the Richmond Planet. The officers of the company are R. T. Hill, president; W. A. Saunders, vice president.

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There were some 1,200,000 white people in South Africa, while there are 7,200,000 Kafirs. One of the principal factors that is welding the natives together was religion. More and more black labor is being employed in the Cape Colony, and in a short time the native will have a large number of trades in his hands. Intermarriage between natives and whites is taking place in Cape Colony.

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Dr. J. W. Wood, of the A. M. E. Zion Church, stationed at Mobile, Ala., is now traveling in Europe, with Africa his port of destination. In speaking of labor conditions in Liverpool, England, he says: "A shilling a day is good wages. Men and boys can be hired for 12 pence, 6 pence and less for a day's work. The chances for making bread is much better in America, and our people must take advantage of the opportunities offered."

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Principal Booker T. Washington, of the Tuskegee Institute, has received from King Frederick and Queen Louise of Denmark autographed photographs of their majesties, in acknowledgment of his work, "Up From Slavery," which they have had the pleasure of reading. King Frederick and Queen Louise entertained Dr. Washington at the palace when he was in Copenhagen, Denmark, last summer. Queen Alexandra of England was present on that occasion.

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In Cincinnati the last of the $2,000 needed to start an institution for colored women similar to the Y. W. C. A. has been received by Miss Elma C. Leach, of the Elizabeth Gamble Deaconess Association, and the work will be prosecuted at once. The home will be opened on West Sixth Street, near Mound. Temporary quarters will there be provided for colored girls who are found to be living in undesirable environments. A nursery will be established and theoretical nursing taught. Lectures will also be given.

BISHOP L. J. COPPIN'S BOOK.

"The Fifty-two Suggestive Sermon Syllabi" by Bishop L. J. Coppin, D. D., is just from the press. The author, who is one of the bishops of the A. M. E. Church, is one of the most scholarly men of the race. The Preface of the book is written by the author himself, and the Introduction by Bishop E. Tyree, of the same church. The broad experience, liberal views, constant connection and research into the literature of the race and world qualifies Bishop Coppin very eminently to write just such a book. It is something new under the sun—especially prepared for the purpose of helping young ministers and Christian teachers. We take great pleasure in recommending the "Fifty-two Suggestive Sermon Syllabi" to young ministers who would like to have something containing a compendium of discourses from Scriptorial text of the Holy Bible. The price of the book is $1.00. Address all orders to the A. M. E. Book Concern, Philadelphia, Pa.

POCATELLO, IDA.

Pocatello is still on the map and the colored people are getting along fine and have plenty of good things of life at the Gate City. Club is doing a good business....And last, but not least, the team of Ella Gay Williams and Jennie Miller after a layoff of five or six weeks on account of the floods and darkness of the city, is back to work at the Grand theater in Pocatello, Ida., and are greeted with packed houses at every performance. This is their fifth time in Pocatello and have been the best drawing card that has been here in years. They send regards to P. G. Lowrey and Essie Williams and others.

JELLICO, TENN.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. Maggie Tate had as her guest her father from Newport, Tenn....We are glad to note that Mrs. Robert Filson, who has been confined to her bed, is able to be out again....Tuesday morning at 1:15 o'clock Mr. Robert Milson's pressing club burned. He is in business again in the next building....Mrs. Robert Chavis, who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Sam Chant, returned Tuesday to her home in Chattanooga....Messrs. John Johnson and Robert McCarty spent Sunday in Knoxville, Tenn. ....Mr. Ed Ripley returned Sunday evening from a trip to Knoxville....Mrs. Alice Thomas had a narrow escape when the water tank of the Carroll Manufacturing Company fell on their residence and demolished it. Luckily no one was injured. ....Mr. Ed Thomas, of Lexington, Ky., was here enroute to Atlanta, Ga. Mr. Thomas is an ex-agent of The Freeman at Lexington, where he had an overwhelming success....Mrs. Luther Reed, who has been on the sick list, is able to be out again.... Mrs. Sam Grant, who has been confined to her bed, is able to be out again....Mrs. Georgia Ripley gave a delightful entertainment for the First Baptist church at her residenc, Friday, February 3, at 11 a. m....Mrs. Daniel Collins died at her home at Indian Mountain. Mrs. Cillons was very old. The funeral services were conducted at the Christian church, Sunday. She was a member of this church.... Mr. Joe Woods has the made a hit in the minstrel business....Messrs. Henry McClouen and Charles Parker of Anthras spent a few days in town....Mr. Albert Cole, of Chaska, Tenn., spent a few days with relatives here....Midlock Graham was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Bart Miller Saturday and Sunday....Mr. Robert Milorn now operates the pool tables recently operated by P. L. Gilliam. We wish him success.

BOWLING GREEN, KY.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The People's Forum met Sunday evening at 3 o'clock at State Street Baptist Church, and was called to order by the president, C. T. Cook, after which prayer was offered in accordance with the usual order. A solo was sung by Mr. Charles Taylor, "Abide with Me," which was full of life. President Cook then introduced the speaker for the evening, Rev. S. R. Reed, who said, among other things: "The organization of the Forum is a grand, united effort to bring our people together for a good and true cause. In Washington, D. C., we have one of the greatest organizations of this kind, and which has done much to elevate our people intellectually, financially, and along all lines of civil advancement. I do not know any other way that this hour could be spent better than to join the social and religious forces of this community together. It is not needed only for the young people, but old as well. It gives the young girls and boys of the academies and high schools a practical education, as well as the daily search of textbooks, to train and prepare for the duties of life." Response was made by President Cook, after which many of the members of the Forum made good remarks in regard to the meeting and welfare of the organization in our city. The Forum will meet the second Sunday in March, at Taylor's Chapel A. M. E. Church, on Seventh street, at 2:30 p. m....Taylor's Chapel A. M. E. Church has found a very unique way for enlarging its Sunday school treasury. Last Sunday Mr. Elmer P. Reid, the superintendent, offered a nice box of candy to the pupil bringing in the largest amount of pennies. Anna May Goodall brought thirty-one, and received the box. February 4, the first Sunday he offered a box of fine chocolates, Master Frank Otha Moxley, received the box, having brought $1.06. This not only increases the treasury, but helps the little ones to take an interest in their Sabbath school, which is increasing in membership each Sunday....Last Monday, at 2:30 p. m., Mrs. Ethel Coleman departed this life. Mrs. Coleman was a member of Taylor's Chapel A. M. E. Church choir, and her death will be mourned by the church and friends. She leaves a kind husband and two sisters, one brother and father, besides many other relatives.... Mr. W. W. Edwards, 1114 Kenton street, is on the sick list....Rev. Robert Mitchell, D. D., is in Lexington, attending the State University trustees' meeting. He will go to Louisville before returning.

JOPLIN (MO.) ITEMS.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

At the churches last Sunday Lincoln's birthday was the leading topic of the day. At the A. M. E. Church, Rev. C. E. Webster's subject was, "Lives of Great Men." A lovely program was rendered in the evening. Had a nice attendance, which filled the church.....At the M. E. Church Rev. C. W. Newton made a fine address on the subject of "Lincoln From the Cradle to the Grave, Was a Man in Heart, Mind and Strength."....At the Baptist Church, Rev. Calhoun preached a hair-raising sermon on "The Way to Enter the Kingdom of Heaven." The revival going on for the last three weeks is meeting with a grand success, and will continue throughout this week....The J. C. B. League meets every Wednesday night, and continues to press forward right along towards that 100 membership mark. Prof. N. T. Green never overlooks any one, and Vice-President C. H. Knaves always wants to know why you were not out last meeting night. Now, gentlemen, show to the world and to your own body here that we are going to push it on and let our white brothers see how well we can get along without them. The club has fitted up a fine room at 707½ Main Street, upstairs, and visitors are always welcome. Application blanks can be had by the asking of any member, who will gladly supply you with one....Master Alwin Otto Walker, son of George W. Walker, the agent for the Freeman, was on the sick list all last week with a light touch of la grippe, but he was up and out in time to deliver the Freeman to every one.....W. E. Waller, a new waiter at the Connor Hotel, arrived last Saturday from Dallas, Tex., and ordered the Freeman....There was a grand ball on St. Valentine Day, the 14th inst., at 828 Main street, given by Mr. E. Stone and Mr. Gene Danforth, two of Joplin's young men, and everybody enjoyed it.... Miss Lottie Williams, of 204 North Main street, attended a swell party in Galena, Kans., last Monday night, and reported she had a fine time. The lunch was served in five courses....Mr. Lee Patten, of Galena, Kans., was a visitor in our city one day last week, and left an order for The Freeman, to be sent to him every Saturday by his brother Gus....Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hagerman went to Girard, Kans., via the Joplin-Pittsburg electric line, last Thursday afternoon, to attend a birthday party, and had the time of their lives, returning on the 11:55 p. m., via the same route....Mr. Chester Johnson was on the sick list for a few days, but he is out again and at the same old stand, working. ....Geo. E. Williams has joined the Cuban Musical Duo, Fuller and Fuller and Williams. They are in Weir City, Kans., the 13th 14th and 15th, and in Cherokee the 16th, 17th and 18th....Mr. Ralph Calloway, of Utica, N. Y., is training hard for his fifteen-round fight with Jeff Clark before the Business Men's Athletic Club, Friday night. He looks fine in action and on paper, but we call all till Friday night. Clark is the favorite in the betting here at 5 to 4....Mr. Jeff Clark, of Philadelphia, Pa., arrived in Joplin Saturday morning from Philadelphia, looking fine, and every one was glad to see him back again. He left here last November, after his ten-round fight with the Boston Tar Baby, Sam Langford, to whom he lost.....We have a colored vaudeville team working in the Vaudette, five-cent moving picture show. They are all right for amateurs....Remember, The Freeman is always on time and full of Joplin news, and that is what you like. Call 70 or 868, and leave your order. Don't be second-handed; get one of your own, and then no one can say anything....Capt. M. D. Frey, head janitor at the Miners' Bank building, the largest office building in the city, is an old soldier, having served for over fifteen years, and is also treasurer of the Joplin Colored Business Men's League.... Handy Chapel, West Fourth street, gave a grand Valentine festival and post-office, and also 6 o'clock supper, February 14. Committee: Mrs. Blanch Brown, Mrs. Effie Givens, Mrs. Estella Fluellen and Miss Cora Hobson. C. W. Newton, pastor.

QUEEN CITY ITEMS, BATTLE CREEK, MICH.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Word has been received in this city of the death of Mrs. Minnie Johnson, of Chicago, Ill., formerly a resident of this city. ....The Musical Club of the Second Baptist Church gave a picnic supper at the home of Miss Emma Burton last Monday evening....Mr. Alex. Valentine is on the sick list again....Mrs. Sarah Sena, of Chicago, Ill., is spending a few days in this city on business....Don't forget the grand masquerade ball at the Auditorium, on Wednesday, February 22. Music by Cunningham's Orchestra....Mr. Andrew Robbins and Miss Olive Highgate were united in marriage last Sunday, at 5 p. m., at the residence of Rev. E. E. Gregory, of 84 Fonda avenue....The Willing Workers Society of the A. M. E. Church met at the home of Mrs. Sarah Phillips last Wednesday....Mrs. George Marshall gave a very beautiful post card shower for the benefit of the sick last Thursday. Those that received post cards were: Mrs. W. M. De Lyons, 130, 40 of which were sent to her from out of town; Mrs. G. Toles, 80; Mrs. Brown, of 84 Fonda avenue, 63, and Mrs. L. Farmer, 70....The Freeman can be found at 50 Warren street, Glad Williams, agent.

TAMPA, FLA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. M. Geraldine Williams, of St. Paul, Minn., arrived in the city on February 2d. She has been employed as stenographer and bookkeeper for the Williams Cigar Company....Mr. Rich Smith died at Braidentown on February 4th, and was brought to this city and buried from Beulah Baptist Church on February 6th.... The Williams Cigar Company is said to be the largest Afro-American cigar company in existence. They have a large daily capacity and ship their cigars all over the United States. They are helping to solve this great problem by employing their race in the office and factory....Get the Freeman every week.

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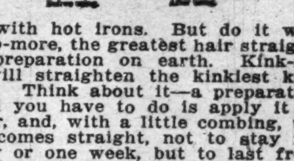

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The Bee, of Washington, D. C., has it that the inmates of the Government Hospital for the Insane are divided in the amusement hall. Well, maybe they won't know the difference.

The Indiana constitution question is being fought out on paper at this time, the majority seemingly being against a change without the customary constitutional convention.

Many of the provision of the proposed new constitution are fair enough and are generally admitted as improvements on the old one, but at that it doesn't mean that all the virtue and wisdom reside in any one place.

The government of Haiti has been advised by the United States authorities, and also Great Britain, to adopt a more reasonable course in dealing with the revolutionists. The warning is ominous, and if Haiti knows anything it will pay heed.

Taking him in his sphere, Frederick Douglass is yet himself and without a successor. The race can do no better thing than keep his memory green. Opportunity will not afford another, consequently his place in history is secure.

We suggested a great celebration—that the Negroes celebrate the three hundredth anniversary of their existence in America in 1920. Ain't nobody goin' to second it? All right; then let somebody else do the suggestin'.

The Democratic majority in the General Assembly is to be congratulated on having found a method whereby the wrongs in our organic law can be righted without expense to the people of the State, and have thus justified their ability to serve the people and to give them an honest and economical administration of public affairs.—Plymouth (Ind.) Democrat.

Don't need any short cuts. It is here, as elsewhere—cheap things are dear in the end. The people are able and willing to pay for what they get. When making constitutions, take your time—take plenty of it.

Dr. Crum, the Liberian minister, merely said he hoped the day would come when Liberia would be more than a name. The Register, a publication of Liberia, says it was an awful break. The Register is well written, but seems to have an exaggerated sense of dignity. It rather affects the stiff style of English publications, which are generally long on the proprieties, and, of course, born out of years of deference to classes. Well, we democratic Americans don't go too strong on the "little formals." We call a spade a spade, and don't think anything about it. Our style is reflected in our beautiful flexible civilization—the world's best.

In one, two, three order in State-making. First get your people, next the constitution, the people's scheme of government; now, then, come on everybody else, legislatures, governors, et al., with your bounden duties. If a new constitution is needed, we'll go right back to where they keep them. They keep them where the first one came from. The first one came from the people. The people and the constitution equal one another. Then the people make the legislature, or provide for it, and not the legislature (that is delegated to make the smaller laws) that makes the people, for that would be backwards and inconvenient, since in the very beginning there must be people.

The recent organization of Colored Indianians at Washington, D. C., is a new movement in that city. The objects are to keep alive the spirit of the Hoosier State, for mutual improvement, and incidentally, for political protection and advancement. Those promoting the movement are well nown colored Indiana people from various parts of the State. It will be a surprise to more than a few people to know of the whereabouts of some of these former citizens. Chicago generally claims all we can not account for, but in the future the roster of the Society of Colored Indianians at Washington will be consulted before giving up all hope of hearing from again who drop out of sight from time to time.

The case of assault and battery against Stella W. Hatch, the colored school teacher, who was taken into court a few days ago for striking a boy, was dismissed. The justice acted in the interest of discipline rather than being influenced by the case in hand. It will be agreed that Mrs. Hatch went too far, just as most teachers go too far and as parents often go too far, according to plans laid down for punishment of their children; yet it is known that if the parent was in turn punished, or the teacher, then good-bye to discipline. It is not the purpose of teachers or parents to go too far; they don't do it, as a rule; most all do as exceptions, proving the intent is right, which, after all, is it, even if the unexpected does sometimes happen. Mrs. Hatch had zeal in her effort to hold her school in order. Doubtless the fact entered into the judge's decision.

"Afro-American, you have a near relation to the evangelization of Africa. To impress this I shall call your attention to the Republic of Liberia, which would have been destroyed had it not been for the heroic conduct of one man, a Negro. And the name of Elijah Johnson is held in great reverence by all his countrymen. Like Tousaint L'Overture, he was brave and heroic; like George Washington, patriotic and noble. When under the pressure of the hostile natives, in a deadly climate, it was proposed to abandon the settlement and return to the United States, he lifted up his voice and made this heroic declaration: 'I have been two years searching for a home in Africa; I have found it and I expect to stay here.'"—In the Atlanta Foundation.

Well, Elijah Johnson is heard from; one more name to make merry over. 'Twouldn't help the euphony of a heroic poem, but at that it sounds as well as Jack Johnson, whose name and fame is filling all the land.

And then there's George Washington, our first President, who was also born in February. The country has been fairly dutiful as to the advice he left. Things, however, have changed since that day, and according to the law of progression some of his advice will have to be worked around. But in the main the country has adhered to his good, wholesome American doctrine and example.

As a character he stands the ideal patriot, whose zeal for his country's good will never be gainsaid. He stood a massive character in body and also in spirit, so to speak, as if his part in the affairs of the nation had been fixed long before he came. In bringing about success to the American arms he moved as if failure were nowhere writ in his "bright lexicon." When others fainted and fell, he was the one imperturbed George Washington, and undismayed.

Time, with its manifold changes, with its new order of men, has not sent us a character more worthy in all respects of being the father of the country than George Washington. All hail to his memory!

The Liberian Register, speaking of the Minister Crum incident in Liberia, Africa, had, among other things, the following.

"Are the efforts and sacrifices of Jehudi Ashmun all in vain? Are the labors, the sufferings, the hardships of the pioneer fathers mere zeros in the sum total of Liberian existence? Shades of Elijah Johnson and Lott Carey! Can it be that the whole history of the struggles from Roberts to Barclay, in the grapple to smother the slave traffic, to stamp out tribal warfare and to establish a peaceful and meritorious government of Negroes on this coast simply one long thankless effort to perpetuate a name—a hollow mockery? We at least hope not. We are proud of what we are pleased to call the 'Republic of Liberia.' We joy in its history and are hopeful for the future."

Who is this Jehudi Ashmun? Getting some Liberian history, at any rate—Elijah Johnson, Lott Carey and the rest of them—showing considerable race pride. This Crum will be the making of the Liberians yet. You have to make some people mad before they will do anything.

Leo K. Fessler needn't be so particular about saying that the new proposed constitution means the disfranchisement of between 2,000 and 3,000 Negroes in Marion county because of the poll tax clause and the educational test. Many more white people do not pay poll taxes than Negroes, and simply because there are many more who are in the same class when it comes to their financial standing. Of course, the proportion of white men failing to pay their poll taxes is not so great as that of the Negroes. But when expressed in numbers it is safe to say that if the provisions of the proposed law were carried out, no less than 6,000 white voters would fail owing to inability to read a section of the constitution and the neglect of paying their poll tax.

That the condition will change in event of the success of the new constitution at the polls goes without saying, since it is not a big thing to pay one's poll tax, although a big thing to like it by those not having the habit. We think it rather a reflection on the Negroes to have it appear that they are skulking around their poll tax—true enough, all right. But are they alone? The poll tax is legitimate and right, whether we like it or not, and it should not be considered a disfranchising measure.

The preferred citizen should be the one that helps maintain the State. Lack of education is a personal misfortune, and not subject to penalty, as we view it, imposed by the State. The proposed new constitution declares for an educational test, requiring that the voter must be able to read a section of the constitution. However, it is not exactly stated. The voter is required to read a section of the constitution before he can register. But before he can vote he must register—two steps, registering, voting—meaning in the end the voter must be able to read a portion of the constitution.

We don't think much of the provision, since it would exclude too many from the polls that help in maintaining the government. There should not be unreasonable demands made on any prospective voter. Property-owning, tax-paying, respectability, are more than reading the constitution. The foreign element has a right to be expected to vote, just as they have been expected in the country. The Negro, along in years, who has property, pays taxes and is respectable, ought to be expected at the voting. The law going into effect in 1913, rather than to-morrow, does not change anything; the principle is the same. The constitution should not assume the duties of schoolmaster. In 1913 conditions will not have changed very much. It will be a queer situation when the worthless school rake may pass up to the polls, leaving the taxpayer, the sewer assessment payer, the improved street payer, voteless. It is enough that they pay for the streets on which the nobodies walk.

FREDERICK DOUGLASS.

"Lest we forget," Frederick Douglass was also born in the month of February. Notwithstanding the passing of years which have in their passing brought many men forward, and who have been acknowledged in a great way because of their greatness, yet it is very much to be doubted if he has been surpassed as a statesman or a public speaker even until this day. Of course, this is not why he most strongly appeals to the race. Douglass was an Abolitionist; he worked for the Negroes' freedom long before they, as a whole, were aware of the fact. In fact, very few could have known of his activity in their behalf. He labored right alongside Garrison, Phillips, Lovejoy, and was their intellectual equal. He worked in season and out, risking his life, for his owner yet had claims on him, and finally won the admiration of liberal-minded men at home and those abroad who were interested in the personal liberty of mankind.

As great and useful as he was in the darker days of Negro life in America, reason of his ability also makes his memory dear. He was trained amid a school of scholarly men, more or less fanatical perhaps, but in a cause where fanaticism was the necessary passion. This training left on him its imprint, which, owing to the profoundness of the agitation and the importance of the cause, and the peculiarity of the situation, he being the only exponent of the Negro kind, branded him deeply. He came out of the struggle thoroughly equipped to fight on for greater principles, standing yet with the choice men of the nation, who were also unusually prepared, owing to the weight of their burdens. Sumner, Greely, Morton, Grant, Conkling, Schurz, Blaine, Sherman, Logan, were of the foremost of the war's aftermath—the flower of the nation—the world's peers in statesmanship; yet here was our Douglass measuring shoulder to shoulder in the work of re-erecting the nation. As if he had not sufficiently learned, as he walked and talked with that early band of peace promoters, this still vaster opportunity presented and was not neglected. As a consequence his name is written without apology amid those of the eminent men of the world. The older ones of to-day only will remember the shaggy, Numidian lion as he was. He was great in his day and generation, without contrasts and comparisons. His audiences were the best America afforded at the time, and they took no account of his color or previous condition of servitude, voting him a man well worthy of their best attention. He was particularly refined in his manner, after the accepted notion of kings and presidents, having a God-given dignity that compelled respect and admiration. Singularly enough, he was of fine physical proportions in keeping, of pleasing facial expression, all of which comported with his spiritual part.

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We are proud of our colored Representative in the Legislature, the Hon. Edward D. Green, of Cook County. Mr. Green is made of the proper metal and nothing ever passes his keen eyesight.

Miss Leota Singleton, one of our most charming young society ladies, was married last week to Mr. Gonzalzer, a Japanese.

The celebration of the one-hundred-and-secondsecond birthday anniversary of Abraham Lincoln here last week was one of the best we have had. The leading paper was read by Mrs. J. C. McClain.

We had a great day here February 11. President Taft was in the city, our honored guest, and this city surely put on "airs." The banquet at the Arsenal was the most magnificent thing in the history of the city.

The most interesting topic here is the election of Commissioners to run the city for the next four years. There are 105 candidates, one a Negro—Attorney C. S. Gibbs. There are eight to be nominated and four to be elected in April. Mr. Gibbs has a good chance of both the nomination and election. The Negroes are for him, and we are proud to know it. This is the only hope for us.

Shall we have a colored baseball team this season?

REMARKABLE EXPRESSIONS.

Tuskegee Institute Has Distinguished Visitors.

TUSKEGEE, ALA.—Jacob H. Schiff, head of Kuhn, Loeb & Co., the New York banker and philanthropist, who, with a party of friends, came from New York to visit Tuskegee Institute, spent two days in riding about the grounds, visiting the shops and the farms.

In a short address to the students in the Chapel last night, Mr. Schiff said: "I have long admired the work of Dr. Booker T. Washington and his co-laborers. But now that I have seen it, I cannot find words with which to express my surprise and gratification. It is far beyond anything that I had expected to see. As I walked through your grounds today my heart filled with pride to find what had been accomplished by a single man in so short a time. It is an object lesson to me which I shall never forget, and I am only sorry that I waited until the evening of my life to see what has been done here. It has been an inspiration to me, and when I return home I intend to send my son and my grandchildren here that they may get the same inspiration that I have."

He said it was a mistake to assume, as had been so long the case, that work was a curse. "Work," he said, "has now become the blessing of the world. There is no greater happiness that that obtained through honest work. I do not pity you for your hardships; I envy you for the opportunities you have here."

Mr. Schiff's party, which consists of General James H. Wilson, Mr. Leo Arnstein, Secretary of the Borough of Manhattan, and Dr. H. B. Frissell, Principal of the Hampton Institute, Virginia, left Saturday night upon the special car in which they are traveling for Montgomery and from there they will go to Jacksonville, Fla.

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SIMMS & THOMPSON.
Two clever Vaudevillians now playing the smaller houses with great success.

SHOW SHOPS, PHILADELPHIA, PA.

By Arthur L. Prince.

This week the metropolis of Pennsylvania is blessed with fine weather and the stroll is densely filled with belle and beaux and theater goers. Ice cream carts are standing in front of the theaters agitating old Mr. Groundhog. Urchins can believe nothing more than sweet spring has returned. Nevertheless, the wise ones are in reach of their furs, and prepared for old crimp.

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Audtiorium.

Quite a change here this week, and the show is not up to the standard. Tom Delaney, the only funny man on the bill, introduces what he terms his Carolina Troubadours. These same Carolinas open the show with a dull minstrel first part. Then come the Smith Sisters with a very tame singing and dancing specialty. The only redeeming feature is Midget Price, who sings "Funny Face" in a manner that causes the audience to whistle the refrain. Uncle Eph's birthday party closes the show.

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Victory Theater.

Duncan & Scott, Mgrs.

The Duncan Stock Co. added a few new faces this week in addition to the old timers. Chas. (Chicken) Jones is making a big hit in Judge Yazoo. Jordan, character change artist, is a drawing card here and business is above the average. The company put on an entire change of program Friday night. A melo-drama, entitled, "Taking Things to Heart," which proved to be a success. Clarice Wright played the leading role. Chas. (Chicken) Jones, the villain; Miss Skeeter, as Miss Tattletale, and Jack Cheers as Buckshay, the detective. Others in the cast were: Virginia Johnson, Joe Jordan, Erb Robinson, Della Harris and Cuppie La Cal.

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Happy Hour Theater.

Wm. (Kid) Asher.

This little theater uses more billing matter than any house on South street, and is becoming very popular, as Mgr. Asher is a very shrewd little fellow and knows he must give the people something out of the ordinary. Miss Bellee Anderson, the female boxer, was an added attraction and business was chilly at the other houses for a fe wdays. Rosa Roberson, a charming little soubrette, was very graceful. Warfield & Campbell put some changes in their act. The last and least is Epps & Loertta, as a talking and singing team. This act is a great big joke, and should be numbered in the 23 class. Tickets are selling in advance for next week's pictures of the Johnson and Jeffries fight.

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THE ALABAMA BLOSSOMS, HAUPPERT'S GARDEN THEATER

By W. W. B., Birmingham, Ala.

It has been a long time since you heard from us, but we are thankful that we are in the land of the living. We are cleaning up here. Been here since Christmas week. S. R. O. sign nightly. Chatman and Burton, a pair of refined song and dance artists, joined us on the 4th of February. They played the Queen Theater, Montgomery, Ala. Went big here, but later broke the partnership through a misunderstanding. Nat Sephus, our stage manager, sure knows how to please the patrons with his plays. Our orchestra of five pieces plays pleasing overtures. Mr. Lawrence, our manager, wears a pleasing smile nightly. Mr. E. E. Pugh cleans up with his droll, winning way in "Stop Dat Tickling." Miss Lizzie Carr scores with "Some of These Days." Willie Richardson leaves them screaming. Lula Williams, our soubrette, is pleasing. Leola Straight is a decided hit with "Sound of Chicken in the Frying Pan." Wayne Burton cleans up with "Steamboat Bill," "Casey Jones" and "Smiling Moon." Sadie Black sings "Ah! That Man." Lizzie Nelson is there with the goods. Beaman, Pewee Simpson, Walter Smith, Ella Webb—where are you? Regards to the profession.

THE OLYMPIC THEATER CHARLESTON, S. C.

Campbell and Edwards are still here, and are going just as big as on the first night they opened. They have been given an indefinite engagement. B. E. Edwards is stage director. We also have the Glenns (Cora and Billy), and they are certainly going some as a comedy team. Phillip (Buster) Austin, who was booked in a trio with the Merry Howards, is doing all that was expected of him and a little more. The Howards are not doing so well. Their acts don't take with the Charlestonians some how. A little too classy, I expect. So they are leaving us for other territory. Miss Rosetta Brannon closed February 11th, after about eleven weeks. She will take a few days' rest before starting out again. Mr. Steve Mitchell, our Orchestra king, gets everything out of a song that the writer ever put in, and a little more. Campbell and Edwards send their best regards to all friends and knockers in the profession, and say, watch in the Freeman for the stunt they are going to pull off. That's enough.

A. J. EASTERLY,
Manager of Olympic Theater.
Charleston, S. C.

THE GLOBE THEATER, JACKSONVILLE, FLA.

Things seem to move on in the same old way (good), and the management still wears the smile that means good business.

J. H. Williams, producer and stage manager, is staging some good shows. He has some of the best performers in the business to do the work. Everybody knows what they are without telling the history of their lives, because they have played some of the best cities and houses. Here are the performers that are now playing the Globe: Kenner and Lewis, Mathews and Thomas, Taylor and Taylor, Copeland and Copeland, Brown and Brown, Millie Williams, Mable Johnston, Laura Moss, J. Beaman. The company sends regards to friends, in and out.

HOUSTON THEATER, LOUISVILLE, KY.

Feb. 13th week was grand. Mr. and Mrs. Goodloe taking the leading part singing "Smile on Sue." Mrs. Goodloe has an extensive wardrobe, changing costume quite frequently. John Goodloe still making them laugh with his droll sayings. They are assisted by Mr. Elmore Taylor, Mrs. Lillian Brown Mason. Changing acts every week and still drawing the crowds. The Goodloes are quite favorites here. The pictures are fine.

ACTS NEW TO INDIANAPOLIS.

CROWN GARDEN THEATER.

Simms & Thompson.
15 Minutes in "One."
Singing and Talking.

One of the brightest and most snappy acts seen at the Crown Garden Theater this season made its appearance this week in the persons of Simms and Thompson. They scored heavily at each performance. The team is splendidly proportioned in every essential that goes to make up a spicy and entertaining act. Each represents a marked contrast to the other in all they do, giving, in its entirety, a curiously blended hodge-podge of well-chosen and excruciatingly funny dialogue, well-rendered songs and a display of unusual taste in the matter of dress and "business." Joe Simms is a real comedian. His antics and mannerisms are strikingly similar, at times, to "Honey Boy George Evans," without the effect of a copy. His style of fun and the way he handles himself on the stage are distinctly original. Mr. Simms has good "pipes" and creates a veritable riot with his song, "I Wonder Why." This is the first colored act of its kind to ever attempt the introduction of a bit of pathos or sentimentality in the midst of their hilarity, and get away unscathed, scoring heavily in the denouement with a comedy finish. While this style of work is common among white comedians, it is a rarity among colored performers.

Walker Thompson, the other member of the team, makes an ideal "straight man," both in looks, action and style of dress. He has a good voice, and his singing of "The Rusticana Rag" was one of the hits of the act. Mr. Thompson is an old Indianapolis boy, and his many friends were glad to note the progress he has made in his chosen profession. The present team joined hands September 1 at Chicago, and have since played most of the time controlled by Messrs. Doyle, Harding & Cox. Managers will do well

to look sharply to this act as one of the coming headliners in vaudeville, as they are keenly alive and will take advantage of every possible opportunity to improve and keep themselves and their work prominently to the fore. In a word, "they have him."

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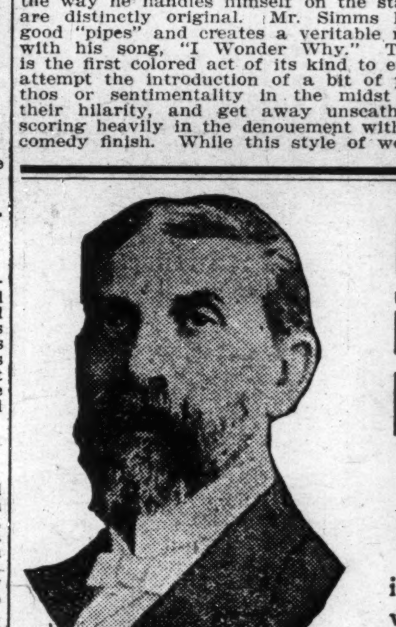
Munroe Tabor.
9 Minutes in "One."
Singing Only.

Another very impressive number on the program of the Crown Garden Theater this week was the offering of Mr. Munroe Tabor. This young man has an odd act. It is peculiarly adapted as an "opener."

It is a straight singing act, yet Mr. Tabor puts so much soul and expression in his work that it at once springs into popular favor with his audiences. His songs are all of them of a specially selected nature, chosen, as it were, to suit a voice great in forcefulness, tone and sweetness. His neat costume, that of a bellboy, seems to lend an air of niftiness to all he does, both convincing and entertaining. Tabor, as I have said, is yet a young man, and has a very brilliant career before him. His singing is of a kind and style sure to win for him recognition among the managers. It was hard for the audiences to determine which of the songs he rendered was the best. Judging from the applause, however, I am inclined to think that his yodel of "Wilson's Lullaby" was the best received. The other two songs used in the act were, "I Love the Name of Mary" and "Tabor's Yodel," the latter being an original composition. Unlike most colored singers, Mr. Tabor has a distinctness of articulation, making himself heard clearly in all parts of the house, and to this particular art, ability or whatever one may choose to call it is due the pronounced success of this young singer.

J. D. HOWARD.



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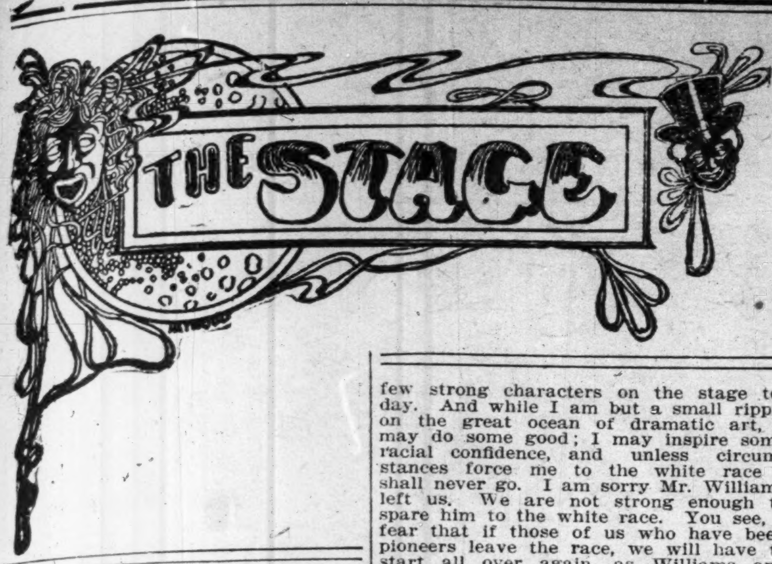

Taylor & Taylor doing good. Lexington, Ky., this week.

The Pewees at the Pastime Theater, Athens, Ga., this week.

Susie Sutton is still at the Foraker Theater, Washington, D. C.

Fiddler & Shelton this week are at Poli's Theater, Hartford, Conn.

Golden Gate Trio is making quite a success on the New England circuit.

"My Friend from Dixie" this week Wheeling, W. Va., and Akron, O.

Miss Olive Billings is featuring "Rubber Necking Moon" with great success.

Tom Lemonier, with Overnight Company at the Hackett Theater, New York.

Brown & Nevarro are making quite a success on the Moss & Stoll circuit abroad.

Andrew Copeland this week at Supreme Theater, Jamaica Theater, Amesbury, Mass.

Jones & Gillam are playing the Star Theater, Boston, Mass., week of 20th, with Lowell to follow.

Blaine Gray, writer of lines and lyrics, "The Grafters," was in the city this week. He is of Detroit, Mich.

Rowland, hoop roller, is at the Kings Theater, Dundee, Scotland. Opens at the Palace, Bristol, February 27th.

Ida Gardner, of Lovejoy, Ill., and Carl Daniels, cornetist, of Greenville, Tex., are with the Sunny Dixie Minstrels.

Billy Ward, the black Dockstader, this week Daly's Theater, Baltimore, Md. Week of Feb. 27th, Idlehour Theater, Petersburg.

Hoyt & Starks, new act, two clever girls formerly of the Cubanola Trio, scored nicely at the Crescent Theater, New York, last week.

Madame E. Azalia Hackley and Mary Fitzhugh, the blind soparno, recently appeared at Tuskegee, where they delighted the school with their fine renditions.

Wayne Burton writes that he rejoices that he is yet in the flesh. He is at Hauperts Ampitheatre getting along all right. He says he is getting himself together.

Lillian Black and Ray Bailey have recovered from their recent illness, and the act of Black, Bailey & Black opened last week at the Lyceum Theater, Amsterdam, N. Y.

Gaines & Jones played a return engagement at the Crescent Theater, New York. Sam Gaines is developing into a funny comedian, while Jones is a dancer of no little ability.

Jolly Ed Price has gotten over his illness of three weeeks. Will return to the stage, filling engagements in the New England states. Will go West in a few days to fill an engagement.

William E. Jones scored quite a success at the Majestic Theater, Brooklyn, with the songs, "Piano Man," "Gee, Isn't It Great to Meet a Friend from Your Home Town," and "Honey Bunch."

Miss Willie Jones, the top notcher among all female performers, and Jimmy Wallburg, trap drummer, have closed the season with Harrison Bros.' Minstrels. They are now with the Sunny Dixie Minstrels.

The Pewees report great success at the Pastime Theater. They open up at the Arcade Theater, Atlanta, Ga., March 6th, for three weeeks. They have also added another act to their repertoire, a kid act, including comedy skating.

The Leigh Whipper Vaudeville Company will open its tour March 7th at the Globe Theater, Norfolk, Va.; will also play at the Lyric Theater, Newport News, Va.; Pekin Theater, Richmond, Va.; Howard Theater, Washington, D. C.

The one and only Ed F. Peat has joined hands with Chas. McKenzie, and will be known hereafter as Peat & McKenzie, and is playing at the Majestic Theater, Camden, N. J., Feb. 20, 21, 22, in vaudeville, and some big time to follow. Address all mail to 1712 South street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Miss Laura Smith will close a three months' engagement at the Savoy Theater of F. A. Parrassa Stock Co., Memphis, Tenn., and will make her way back north. She will first stop at the Houston Theater, Louisville, Ky., for a short time, then jump to Chicago.

Cyclo & Cylop opened at the Royal Theater, Memphis, Tenn., last Monday night in their favorite act, "The Frog and the Zulu," going big. Opened Thursday night with one of their new comedies, assisted by Mr. and Mrs. Honey Bunch and Mr. Dudley, a coming young comedian. A sparring exhibition was put on Friday night.

Ray & Williams writing from New Bedford, Mass., say: "We wish to state that we are touring the New England states, playing Marcus Loewsteine. Nothing but snow down through this territory. We are now in our fourtth week. This week the Savoy Theater, New Bedford, Mass., Feb. 20, 21, 22; Boston, Hub Theater, Feb. 23, 24, 25, 26."

Clark, Hicks & Clark after a three weeks' successful engagement at the Queen Theater, Montgomery, Ala., were held over for another week, owing to their great success. The team is now in Pensacola the week of the 20th, featuring Zamora, the queen of snake dancers. Her act is startling and astounding, winning her admiration wherveer she appears.

The Alabama Blossoms are at Haupert's Ampitheatre, Birmingham, Ala., packing them nightly. Nat Ophus, our stage manager, is pleasing. E. E. Pugh was held over for another week. Wayne is singing "Casey Jones," "Steamboat Bill" and "Smiling Moon." Also does a neat song and dance turn. The soubrettes, Lizzie Carr, Lula Williams, Leola Straight and Lovie Richardson are also winning. Willie Richardson, the clever monologuist, makes a happy hit.

The well known Mallory brothers write that the Mallory Bros. can be engaged soon—not the original Mallory Bros., Frank and Ed, who were with Isham Octoroons, Williams & Walker, and Fenberg Stock Co., but Ed Jr., and Frank Mallory, sons of Ed Mallory and Mazie Brooks Mallory. Their ages are respectfully, Ed 4 years, and Frank 3 weeks. They are two fine boys, musically inclined, and the Mallory Bros. & Brooks are saving the harp, chimes and saxaphones for them, and hope when they are ready to fill engagements they can be booked in colored theaters from coast to coast, as they were in white theaters. Managers wishing to book this act write Mallory Bros., Jacksonville, Ill.

In a recent interview Aida Overton Walker was asked, "Would it be possible for you to play with a white company?" She said: "Yes, but I don't want to leave my race. The race has only too few strong characters on the stage today. And while I am but a small ripple on the great ocean of dramatic art, I may do some good; I may inspire some racial confidence, and unless circumstances force me to the white race I shall never go. I am sorry Mr. Williams left us. We are not strong enough to spare him to the white race. You see, I fear that if those of us who have been pioneers leave the race, we will have to start all over again, as Williams and Walker started many years ago. I am a race woman, and I am always sorry to see the white race take our genius from us."

MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC AT CHICAGO, ILL.

By Sylvester Russell.

Miss Harrison's Piano Recital—Music Hall—Fine Arts Building.

"The atmosphere on lower Michigan Avenue was somewhat amalgamated in social equality of racial prestige and invironment last Sunday afternoon, February 19, when Miss Hazel Harrison appeared at Music Hall, in the Fine Arts Building, to do herself honor in a piano recital that was quite entertaining. The hall was more than two-thirds filled with an equal assemblage of both races. The occasion presented less social grace and culture than I have formerly seen at a Sidney Woodward recital at Tremont Temple, in Boston, Mass.; a Coleridge Taylor recital at Witherspoon Hall, Philadelphia, Pa., or a Burleigh recital in New York. In speaking of art as I have seen it in its maturity by some of the most noted pianists of the day, it would be unjust to wade into the details of what Miss Harrison's closest friends would regard as delicate sophistry, in order to convey the true technical deficiencies of what her present work even now so proudly merits. Her program, which was not so well chosen, was not adhered to, but Chopin's Nocturne, Op. 62, No. 1, received recognition on its popularity. That and her two final numbers were well executed, in point of manipulation. Miss Harrison, as an artist, is only in the infancy of her greatness. She has had all the schooling that Chicago, possibly, can give her, and of a kind which now needs the care of greater masters. If she is entitled to any rank, her greatest forte lies in her marvelous power of execution. Her enharmonic modulation lacked feeling of suavity, a lack of warmth that has no ultimate gainsay and robs of genius all the other qualities that must some day make Miss Harrison a very great pianist. But the hope of her mission is now assured and the verdict of her advanced ability places her as foremost of any female pianist of her race yet heard in public, which is but a tribute to an infant race and sufficient reason for encouragement by all. Her weakest point was in the rapidity of her right hand over the left, and her methods in general were not altogether flawless.

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The Phyllis Wheatley Home Benefit.

There was a besprinkling of society and culture at Mott's Pekin Theater on Tuesday afternoon, when a matinee performance was given in behalf of the Phyllis Wheatley Home. The performance opened with a piano solo by T. Theodore Taylor, who played twice on the program. Mrs. Hattie Claybrook, who sang twice on the program, and all for the sake of charity, in spite of the Pekin pussy cat, which walks out on the stage when it pleases, and voices of babies crying in the wilderness somewhere in the audience, to detract from the singer, Mrs. Claybrook still won laurels, demonstrated by a generous supply of applause and flowers. But withal her voice was fresh and her manner pleasing. Master Wyatt Houston's violin solo made a fair showing. These numbers were accompanied on the piano by Mr. Kemper Harreld. Madam Martha Broadus Anderson, the well-known soprano, sang chansonette ditties, and later in the program sang a selection from "La Somnambula," which she should have rendered first. She was in excellent form, with a disposition to undervalue the occasion, but the power of her middle notes still warrants her claim to rank with artists of greatness. Mr. Taylor's accompaniment was noisy and slovenly, but Mrs. Anderson's improved method of execution made him hurry. She had thought of past criticisms, and so she got through all right. Miss Patrice Ferguson played piano solos twice on the program. Mr. James H. Worsham, formerly tenor singer of Theodore Drury's Opera Company, with a slight cold, sang classical love songs, and received approval. Miss St. Claire White, a child violinist, whom I criticised last winter, was a big surprise to her admirers, so great has been her improvement. She won hearty applause. Prof. Morris was her accompanist, and his touch was a master hand of art perfection, but in "Ava Maria" he fell to dreaming and lost his place. Mrs. Alma Pitts Williams, as Minnehaha, by personation in costume, was as excellent a piece of dramatic work as I ever have witnessed by an amateur. emper Harreld gave as his violin selection Vieuxtemps' tedious Fantastic Caprice, which was appreciated, and, while he is the best violinist of the younger school, he was not at his best, possibly due to the fact that he had the nerve-racking job of stage manager. The first honors of the evening were carried away by Mrs. Fanny Hall Clint, who appeared third on the program, in a dramatic monologue scene. It was a love story of female matrimonial instincts, true to nature in all its simplicity, but in theme was somewhat disputed in the course of situations. Mr. Clint gave a splendid conception of the part, and would make a good professional in certainly giving us what we did not least expect. It was a day of hide-and-go-seek for Manager Motts, but Sam Corker was there with a waxen smile, to regulate the tempo of wrath and dissatisfaction which goes to make up a society committee of a female charity or suffrage organization. The proceeds amounted to over two hundred dollars. The committee, under the direction of Mrs. Ophie Brown Wells, deserves great credit. The affair was the greatest social event of the season and should at all times be supported by all the people.

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They Came Back at the Pekin.

Despite an immediate fall of snow at theater time, there was a large audience present Monday evening, when Jesse A. Shipp's new weekly offering was presented at Mott's Theater by the usual company of artists, who disposed of their parts most creditably at short notice. The skit is a two-act farce-comedy, nicely staged and well dressed in general. The farce, which has less music than heretofore, was a little mite short in both acts, but the comedy of the first act was clean, legitimate and hilarious. Miss Lottie Grady, who looked very pretty and acted charminly throughout, had the leading part. Shelton Brooks and Allie Gillam, Billy Johnson and Charles Gilpin were the funmakers. Gillam made a nobby kid, and Brooks sang and danced better than he acted. Mrs. McIntosh again impressed by her intelligent acting. Miss Fannie Wise returned to the cast after two weeks' illness, and received a rousing reception. She sang a classical waltz song and warbled and chirped in her usual magnetic way, but would not respond to a long demand for an encore. The orchestra was in good form, and the chorus was especially pleasing in an ensemble number staged and sung by Billy Johnson. Miss Marie Burton was excused from the company to give a recital at St. Louis. Illa Vincent, the Black Panther, continues to appear on Tuesday and Friday nights.

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Pauline Dempsey and Kandy Kids at The Monogram.

The usual crowd and line-up continues to brighten the pathway of mirth and finance at the Monogram. The Kandy Kids, three in number, opened here, and created a scream, as usual, in their insanity dances. The girl of the trio, who is pretty, danced very well, and the two kids threw out some candy to the ladies. The Dutch kid, in a German song, was highly gratifying. Pauline Dempsey was another strong card in the cast. The most novel thing in her act was the undressing of a black baby boy-doll. She sang and took off his little pants and shoes much to the enjoyment of her hearers, who listened to a sweet contralto voice in the meantime. The act of the Russells, who opened the bill, was brighter and more entertaining than ever, and the James Sisters appeared in songs that were heard here before.

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Dick Lewis at the Grand.

The Dahomian Trio was the greatest novelty act seen at this house last Monday evening, but the most interesting feature of the bill was Richard Lewis, the phenomenal contra-tenor singer and protean burlesque artist. Dick Lewis, who first appeared in New York several years ago as a tenor in teh Peter Jackson "Uncle Tom's Cabin" Company quartet, and then toured the country several times as a soloist with Richards & Pringle's Georgia Minstrels, but later entered vaudeville as a team known as Jerome and Lewis, is one sweet, magnetic singer who makes good on any bill. He was in good voice, and will probably be a hold-over. The Red Moon Trio was good, and had for its special entertainers a comedian who was very good, except in the first part of the dialogue. The alto singer was very good, and clever otherwise, and I predict that she will have a future if she watches for an opportunity. Two clever white boys, one a clown, were also on the bill.

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The Samoan Girls No. 1, La Belle Glenn and Helen Goodman, opened successfully February 6, on the William Morris time, at Terre Haute, Ind. Harry Goodman is their manager.

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Brown and Lowery stopped the bill at the Premier Theater, down in town, and were moved down to close the bill. Their organ chimes are voted as specially strong.

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The Harper Smith trio is at the Ashland Theater. Chris Smith is in good health, and is working hard on some new songs, as usual, and Billy Harper is, as usual, looking happy.

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I am informed by Lubie Johnson that "Pansy Brown" was not written by Arthur T. Ray. He says the idea was conceived by them both, but he wrote it himself. Johnson and Govern, who have revised the original manuscript, will put it on the market.

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The ten Georgia Campers, under the management of Clarence Bowens, opened at the Empire Theater last Monday, with the Broadway Gaiety Girls. Miss Isola Ringgold is the soubrette. Mr. Bowens is a very clever dancer.

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The Original Rags entertained his friends, Harry Goodman and Charles Gilgin, at dinner at his residence, 3619 Calumet Avenue, one day last week.

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Cole & Johnson's "Sambo Girls," with Edgar Connor and Jules Smith as funmakers, opened at the Colonial Theater, New York, last week, and met with immediate favor. The act is under the management of J. Rosamond Johnson.

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Charles Gardner, stage manager of the Bush Temple, is soon to put on a dramatic sketch entitled, "The Broken Elopement," with Miss Mabel Baring. There will be five props of setting. This is white news on black paper.

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S. H. Dudley and the Smart Set, including Aida Overton Walker, in new specialties, opens a final one week's engagement at Webb's Theater, February 26.

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King and Bailey, who sent post cards and a letter to their friend, R. Richard Jackson, reports that they are having the time of their lives. They were at the Manchester Hippodrome up until Christmas, and at the Olympia, Liverpool, New Years week. They are reported to be the best Negro comedy team that has visited Europe since Williams and Walker. I had expected to hear from them, but have only heard from Willie Robinson. But King and Bailey will read of this when they get to London.

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"My Friend From Dixie," with J. Leubrie Hill, opens at the Globe, February 26, under the management of Stair and Harlin. Will Vodrey is composer of the music furnished.

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By the way, the New York Clipper has this to say of Miller and Lyles: "The two colored comedians who appeared at the Victoria last week, under the team name of Miller and Lyles, have the best act shown by unbleached entertainers in a month of Sundays. They have some good muddled talk, which they delivered in a way that showed they have a real appreciation of humor. If they improve as they promise, they should come to the front nicely, for there is room for a good colored team just now. Something in the line of a novelty is shown by them at the finish, when they gave a boxing dancing specialty which caught the house. They made one of the hits of the bill, taking up about seventeen minutes in one.

MURPHY & FRANCIS.

The colored theatrical public had an opportunity last week for the first time to see the famous colored team of Murphy & Francis in a colored house. This team is famous on both continents. Mr. Murphy has been identified with the show game for a long period of years, in fact he was a pioneer and is now classed among the "old timers. Burt Murphy was born September 6, 1877, at Carbondale, Ill. He made his first appearance in the show business in 92 with the Harris Nickel Plate Circus as one of the principal clowns. He later appeared for the first time in vaudeville, at the old London Theater at St. Louis, in 1894. This theater in those days was called "The Variety." After working in the variety business for two years, Mr. Murphy joined hands with Mr. Wm. Murray, known as "little monkus." The team was called Murray & Murphy and they made their first appearance with the Eaton & Weather's Colored Sports Show as the world's greatest buck and wing dancers season 1896. John W. Isham engaged the team before the conclusion of the season to go with the "Octoroons," the best colored aggregation on the road at that time. After playing part of the season '96-'97 with the Isham show the team dissolved partnership, Murray going to England while Murphy remained in America and went back into vaudeville, joining hands with Mr. Robert Slater as partner. The team was a winner from the start and was billed as "Murphy & Slater." They remained in vaudeville until engaged by Cole & ohnson to go with the "Trip to Coon Town Show" in which they were billed as one of the features. This was in 1900, during which season Mr. Murphy married Miss Francis Elick, the latter being a member of the Cole & Johnson company. The team Murphy & Slater were the Trip to Coon Town aggregation throughout the season 1900, after which they drifted back into vaudeville, playing all the best "time" for one year, after which the two separated, Murphy forming an act with his wife and remaining in vaudeville. These two, under the team name of Murphy & Francis, have won their way to the front ranks as vaudeville performers and is known from coast to coast by the managers in the best houses as one of the top notch colored acts of America. This team has just finished an extensive engagement over the "Morris time," and are now playing all the colored houses throughout the country at the highest salary ever paid to an act on these circuits. Murphy & Francis are booked through Sherrick & Braff, London agents, to appear for a period of six months in England, Germany and France. When asked how he liked playing colored houses, Mr. Murphy said: "I find the audiences easy to work to. They are generous in their applause. With them it is not a case of 'when do we laugh,' because they are laughing before we say it and it is hard to get a word in edgeways. I think it is the best audience in the world. If you don't feel like working they make you feel like it. If you haven't got next week booked, why you don't mind it. To play one of these houses it makes you feel like you are at home to stay and all are satisfied."

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PARK THEATER, INDIANAPOLIS.

"The Girl and the Stampede," a picture of the Montana cattle range, is the offering at the Park Theater, Indianapolis, for three days, beginning February 27. It is a four-act musical melodrama from the pen of Victor Lambert, who essays the leading role, that of Cal Blair, a cowboy, who is foreman of a ranch adjoining the Crabtree ranch, the proprietor of which is possessed of great wealth, and whose daughter, Bess, has just returned from college in the east. While taking a pleasure ride on the back of her favorite horse, she finds herself in the path of a herd of stampeded cattle. The breaking of her saddle girth throws her dangerously near the swift approach of the avalanche of hoofs and horns, when Cal Blair, with a wild dash so well known to the plainsmen, raises her from the ground and, throwing her over the horn of his saddle, bears her to a place of safety. The villain practices all his arts to keep the two loving hearts apart, but the affair winds up happily in the office of the newly elected justice of the peace, who ties the knot that makes them one. Thrilling situations, comedy and sentiment, mingled with songs and choruses add charm to the play. Myrtle Hebard, a vocalist of merit, is engaged to lead the numbers.

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One of the most thrilling incidents in recent American history is depicted in the melodrama which comes to the Park Thursday, "The Defender of Cameron Dam." The newspapers have been full of accounts of the family which fortified itself with a complete supply of cattle and groceries for food, fully armed and with hundreds of rounds of ammunition and defied for weeks a besieging posse of United States deputies. The father, mother, daughter and sons all participated in answering the fussilade of shots that came from the deputies' revolvers and rifles. Several deaths resulted from the battle before the family surrendered, and some of the party were wounded. The trouble began over the lumbering industry and a float of logs owned by one man. It is founded on the famous Dietz case in northern Wisconsin.

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The Gaither held over Taylor and Taylor, with one of their new acts, that caught the crowds. There is not much to choose between the act of last week and this, with the exception of new costumes and new songs, and with the team's ability to entertain, the results have been packed houses all week. Lewis and Lewis, another team on the bill are new to the patrons of this house and we judge from the appearance of the act it is a new one in the profession, but with the handicap they seem to make good. They have several new songs that are good; the general impression is the team will be in constant demand when they get to going in good order.

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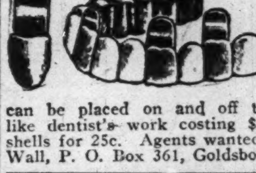

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Prof. Bismark Ferris says he thinks well of the P. G. Lowery's remarks, and feels that he is the father of us all in circus business. We should feel proud of him.

A western act has appeared in the East and has made good. Miller & Lyles, these boys, are from Chicago. At Hammersteins they were the hit of the bill. There is not a song in the act. Just talk with a comedy boxing dance for a finish.

The Three Browns—Harry, Lulu and Frank—are making good in the east and played four weeks in New York City. Now at the Victoria theater, Baltimore, Md., next week the Casino theater, Washington, D. C., as the feature act in these houses.

The Sterling Quartette, touring Ohio, stopped over in Columbus last week, and gave an exhibition of its talent. Chas. Alexander, manager and tenor, and John C. Payne, sang a couple of duets. Payne has a double voice. He is in a class by himself. His high voice is wonderful.

The females in the profession for a long time have been asking to join the C. V. B. A. Association. The matter has been voted down several times by the boys, at least a part of them, and it looks as if they got even with the boys at the C. V. B. A. benefit. There was not a lady on the bill, although they wished the affair a success. But they were among the audience. Get together, girls, have an order of your own. Then the boys will want to "jine."

The C. V. B. A. gave their first annual benefit performance at the Crescent theater on 135th street, Feb. 7th. The affair was a grand success. Standing room only afternoon and evening. Chas. L. Moore, late of the Bert Williams Co., was the promoter, and put in to the association treasury over $300. There was a long and good program. Black Carl acted as stage manager. Among the artists to appear was Cook & Steavens Alfra Comedy 4, Fiddler & Shelton, Frank Brown of the 3 Browns, Jones & Gaines. The management of the Crescent theater gave the theater for the day free gratis.

NOTES FROM COLORED ARISTOCRACY MINSTRELS

We are now in winter quarters at Augusta, Ga., rebuilding, overhauling, painting, etc., and when we take to the road again everything will be new and right up to date. Manager John B. Cullen is having one of Driver's improved theater tents made by the U. S. Tent & Awning Co., of Chicago, and with his two sets of oil-painted scenery, together with all his other up-to-date fixtures, it will be an outfit hard to even equal. We closed at Blackville, S. C., Jan. 9th, and will open here in Augusta, March 20th. Kid Owens, Albert Pronell, Henry Brown and Carrie McCraw will be the only people of last season's company who will be seen with the show the coming season.

GREENVILLE, MISS.

Barrosso's Stock Co. No. 3 with Mr. Ed Lee, manager, opened at Greenville Feb. 13, after playing two weeks at Vicksburg. Will be here this week and again back to Vicksburg, Miss. Manager Lee is all smiles as the show is running smoothly and doing good business. The Arntes are the headliners, and are taking four to five nightly. With Mr. O. H. McDaniel, our funny comedian, in his latest hit, "The Money Fit," then comes the team of Brown & McDaniel, who are also pleasing them with their dancing and singing. Our ballad singer, Mr. Lester McMahon, is a killer singing "To the End of the World With You," assisted by Mrs. McMahon, who, by the way, is some piano player. With all the bunch happy, we can see nothing but success. E. D. LEE, Mgr.
Royal Palm Theater, Greenville, Miss.

MACEO THEATER, COLUMBIA S. C.

This theater with Roseborough, the magician as headliner, did S. R. O. week of Feb. 6. This week we have Gussie Bright and her big stock company in a comedy play, called "A Colored Gentleman." Miss Gussie Bright is leading lady, Miss Minnie Jones is soubrette, Lester McDaniel villain, Joe Bird, Mr. Walter Thomas and Kid Muldrew also have principal parts. Our manager, Mr. A. S. Johnson, does everything possible to make things pleasant for his company. Black Patti came with a good show on 8th. The whole Patti show and the stock company of the Maceo was entertained by Roseborough, the magician, with a delightful dance at the K. of P. hall after the performance. Punch and sandwiches were served to the whole company. Prof. Matthew Bryan's orchestra furnished the music. Mr. Smythe Lomax, local agent of The Freeman here, made a very eloquent address. He was preceded by Mr. Johnnie Jackson, local theatrical critic. Mr. Arthur Spann will go to Atlanta soon on business.

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Mr. T. F. Loftus, manager of the two theaters, says that Burns and Russell are the best two young boys he ever saw or ever came South.

Mr. James Miller (Jim) has been added to the orchestra and the patrons are going wild over the music the boys are making, for each one knows his bizz. The company sends best regards to all their friends.

Mr. T. F. Loftus says that Miss Jessie Burnie is one of the best soubrettes in the South. She is an all round girl, does anything, takes any part in the show.

AMERICAN THEATER, PETERSBURG, VA.

By Bailey.

The American Theater still displays S. R. O. sign nightly and Manager Powers does all that he can to please his patrons by bringing new acts direct from Keith's time to his own house. In addition to his program he has a very clever singing and dancing team in Polk & Polk, also Miss Bessie Wilson, heel and toe dancer of rare ability. "Chico" still holds his own and a favorite here.

By far the greatest social event of the season was the annual dance of the Criterion Four, at the residence of Mrs. E. Stewart. The evening was spent in games and dancing. Music was furnished by Prof. W. Josephs. Supper was served by Caterer R. Hamlin. Among those present: Mrs. M. Morgan, Mrs. P. J. Alexander, Mrs. A. Dobbin, Mrs. W. Josephs, Mr. and Mrs. P. Carter, Miss M. Morgan, Miss V. Morgan, Miss S. Wynne, Miss N. Perry, Miss B. Stewart, Mr. E. Polk, Mr. J. Owen, Mr. L. Cousin, Mr. R. Green, Mr. J. Williamson, Mr. T. Stewart. There were four tables of whist. Mr. J. Owens also rendered some of Mr. Bert A. Williams' selections and scored several encores singing "Constantly."

"MY FRIEND FROM DIXIE"

A New Colored Show Without a Star.

By Harry A. Brown.

To the Editor of the Freeman.

There has been a lot of talk about the future of colored shows. Most every one said they were a thing of the past. But a new show has appeared at the middle of this season, and it is a real good show—an Ernest Hogan show. There is plenty of music—the real old southern rags—which enliven the production. The book and music is by J. Lenbrie Hill and Will Vodery. The leading parts are taken by Lewbrie Hill, Will Brown, Richard Shelton, Leona Marshall and Louis Mitchell. There is 36 people and almost all of them are new to the profession, and not since the days of Hogan's Rufus Rastus has there been a colored show with so much snap and ginger in it. There is not a dull moment in it, and what is truly wonderful about this company is the fact that it is a show without a real star or leading lady. J. L. Hill is perhaps the only one that has had a prominent part with any of the recent big companies. While Will Brown, late of Brown and Gaines' vaudeville team, has played the leading vaudeville theaters, but has never been in a musical comedy. As a straight man for the comedian, R. W. Shelton. He has and is being compared to the late George Walker. Richard W. Shelton who has the male comedy parts of the show, is new to the public, at least with the big show. He is a member of the Shelton family of musicians, and he is funny and stays that way from curtain to curtain. Leona Marshall as the leading lady, plays her part well, and her songs are well received. Miss Marshall has been with most of the big companies, and has always made good. Louis A. Mitchell, late of the Red Moon Co., as an old man, has created a new character, and aside from his originality, he can sing and dance. Then in this show there is solo buck dancers, something that has been omitted for the last seven years. J. H. Hill, as Maria Lee, shares honors with the comedian with the comedy of the show, and too much praise cannot be given him for his efforts, both as helping to make the show a success. But his staging the company and putting another colored show on the road. "My Friend From Dixie" is great, and it will live thanks to J. L. Hill & Co., a show without a star.

THE PASSING SHOW IN WASHINGTON

By R. W. Thompson.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Special to The Freeman.— The theatrical situation in Washington, as regards the colored houses, is in quite a satisfactory state. The attractions for the past few weeks have been above the average and the patronage has placed the balance on the right side of the ledger.

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Last week at Ford Dabney's "Gas Simmons' Five New York Cyclones" carried all before them, giving a performance that is whirlwind in character and affording an evening of rare pleasure. A minstrel first part is given, with the inimitable Gus Simmons on the firing line. Prominently featured are "Little Smoke" Walter Smith and Clarence Davis, comedians and buck and wing dancers, together with William Brooks, a lyric tenor of quality. Managers J. W. Dabney and J. H. Hudnell know what the people want and are doing their level best to give it to them. Simmons' "Cyclones" are headed for the South.

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For the week of March 6, the New Howard will offer the world-famous "Black Patti Troubadours," embracing Sissieretta Jones, Jolly John Larkins, Jennie Pearl, A. Augustus Hall, and other artists of like note. If they draw as well as the present talk indicates, the engagement of the "Troubadours" is apt to be made to cover a second week. For the week of April 3 "The Smart Set" with S. H. Dudley, Ajda Overton Walker, Ella Anderson, Lillian Brown and William Ramsey, will return to the Howard. If the patronage justifies, this remarkable aggregation may remain two weeks. Earlier in the season, "The Smart Set" played to over $6,000 for a week. "My Friend From Dixie," J. Leubrie Hill's unique musical comedy, is doing well on the road, and will "come back" some time in April. This show is being directed by Mr. Fred Falkner, the genial manager of the Howard, and returning with the prestige of a successful run in the big cities, it will doubtless be given a warm reception by the "home folks." During the absence of Mr. Falkner, the managerial reins are being handled in admirable style by Miss Florine Miles Tyson, a young lady of sterling business talent and affable manners. She is receiving deserved encomiums for the very satisfactory fashion in which she looked after the welfare of the recent concert given for the Y. M. C. A. by Mrs. Carrie W. Clifford. In Miss Tyson the Rosenthal & Benedict corporation has made a genuine "find."

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On the evenings of March 2 and 3, the Howard University Dramatic Comnew and capable performers, will present Shakespear's effervescent comedy, "The Merry Wives of Windsor," under the general supervision of William Gilbert. The event will be a notable one in society circles.

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Miss Henrietta Vinton Davis, the tragedy queen, after a prosperous tour of West Virginia and Ohio, is putting in some time in and about Pittsburg. In March Miss Davis will give a series of dramatic recitals in Bermuda, and later will start on her well-planned European tour. Although involving untold sacrifice, Miss Davis has stuck to the "legitimate," relying upon the ever-increasing appreciation of the educated classes of the race, and she has at last come into her own. She is the absolute mistress of the higher atmosphere of the dramatic world, as far as our people are concerned, and stands in the front rank of any race.

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Miss Pearle Alexander, a very promising soprano vocalist, who is just finishing a special course under Miss Lulu Vere Childers at Howard University, has accepted an invitation to appear as a principal soloist in Prof. Walter F. Craig's famous "Pre-Lenten Recital and Assembly" in New York City Wednesday evening, February 22. This is a great compliment to Miss Alexander, but her hard and conscientious work for the past few years amply entitle her to the laurels that have come to her brow. Miss Alexander is from St. Louis.

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Mr. Clarence Cameron White, Washington's popular violinist, plays in Mobile, Ala., Monday evening, heading northward from a season in Texas, where he appeared in conjunction with Mrs. Maud Cuney Hare.

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The Hillmans are at the Hiawatha this week and "going big."

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The Freeman can be found on sale at Davis & Barnes' cigar emporium, 1020 U street, northwest. The profession will please drop in.

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"The Watermelon Trust," Coates & Grundy, were here this week with "The Yankee Doodle Girls" at the Lyceum, and were the most popular act in the entire show. They are "putting over" a budget of new music and new humorosities this season, and the house is in a continuous uproar while they are on the stage.

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"The Three Brown," Indian collоge students, embracing Harry Brown and Lulu Brown, cartoonists and singers, and Frank Brown, lyric tenor soloist, are booked for the Casino week of the 20th. This week they are at the Victoria in Baltimore.

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The wonderful versatility of Miss Minnie Brown, the "Girl of the Golden West," now rounding out her twentieth week in Washington, was strikingly shown in the past fortnight. At the Hiawatha, in collaboration with T. Spencer Finley, the ever-ready comedian, presenting a sketch called "The Old Maid and the Moke," Miss Brown gave an "old maid" impersonation that was as distinctly original as Rose Melville's quaint "Sis Hopkins," and as artistically meritorious, although differing in detail. Following this at Dabney's, Miss Brown appeared in a wide range of prima donna selections and sentimental ballads, featuring "My Hero," "Dearest," "Twilight," "Pearl of My Life" and "Red, Red Rose," comparing favorably with Abbie Mitchell in her interpretation of the latter gem. On Sunday night, she filled her part at Dabney's and made a whilwind "jump" to the Metropolitan A. M. E. church, where as a special attraction for a sacred concert, together with the Taylor-Coleridge quartette, she rendered with faultless technique and sympathetic earnestness the difficult aria "The Lord is My Life," and the impressive gospel song "Heaven is My Home." Miss Brown's repertoire seems inexhaustible and she has at her fingers' ends a portfolio of music that will fit any and all occasions. She has made a host of friends here, and her departure will be viewed with regret. Miss Brown has in contemplation a southern tour, which will enable her to appear at many of the schools and churches that have long sought her services.

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Joseph H. Douglass, the well-known violinist, has been constantly "on the jump" since leaving Washington for his southern tour. He has been greeted by crowded houses at every point visited, and his hearers have been uniformly pleased. Mr. Douglass' itinerary so far has included schools and colleges at Richmond, Va., Lawrenceville, the Y. M. C. A. at Portsmouth, in Virginia; the brick school at Enfield, Henderson Institute, Raleigh, Durham, Greensboro and Charlotte in North Carolina; Rock Hill, Columbia, Orangeburg and Sumter in South Carolina; Augusta, Atlanta and Macon in Georgia, to be followed by engagements in the principal cities of Alabama, Mississippi, Arkansas, Texas, Louisiana, Florida and other points, returning East. Says Mr. Douglass:

"The southern colleges are doing great work in every department for the colored youth, and the literary and musical recitals of a high order are thoroughly appreciated and digested as a vital adjunct to their education in refinement and culture. The race is on the upward trend and there is no reason for any colored man or woman growing impatient because our manifold problem is not solved in a day."

GEORGE FREEMAN AND LENARD. ATLANTA, GA.

George Freeman and his boy Lenard are in Atlanta. They opened their Atlanta engagement by opening the New Central Theater. They were then transferred to the Duval Theater. At each

house they have made more than good. At present they are playing at the Famous. Few teams are able to move from house to house in Atlanta, but the team of Freeman and Harper is an exception. It always represent the class on every bill they appear on.

The boy Lenard has just recently taken up a female impersonation, and is fast improving in this specialty. The closing week of Freeman and Harper at the Duval they finished with a laughable farce, "Mr. and Mrs. Brown," the impersonator, Ienard, playing the part of Mrs. Brown so well that it could not be detected that he was a boy. Freeman and Harper are now with the Russell-Owen Stock Company at the Famous Theater, still delivering the goods. Regards to friends in and out of the profession.

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In the Field of Sport.

BY HAROLD C. McGATH.

The St. Louis Giants is said to be the fastest colored club the Mound City ever placed on a ball field.

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Mobile Dixie Stars baseball club of Mobile, Ala., are rapidly getting in condition for the season's contests.

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Information comes from St. Louis that the prospects for a professional baseball league, colored, are very encouraging.

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Jack Johnson has already been "took up" in San Francisco for trying to smash common road records in his automobile.

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Kid Ash, colored, a 155-pound Cincinnati boxer, is anxious to get at one of the Indianapolis shows with any boxer of his weight. His manager, Louis Smith, said Ash was ready to scrap on short notice.

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The Maroons is the name of a recently organized baseball club of Cleveland, O. The officers are as follows: W. H. Ford, president and manager; J. C. Cole, vice president; J. Burrell, secretary; W. H. VanDusen, treasurer; W. Fox, general manager; A. Barks, captain. Headquarters at W. H. VanDusen's, 3628 Central avenue, Cleveland, O. All first-class clubs kindly take notice.

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Last week in New York at the Wendover Athletic Club, Jumbo Wells, the Australian middleweight boxer, won the quickest fight seen in this city for some time, when he knocked out Tex Cotton, colored, of Galveston, in thirty-eight seconds, before a crowd of two thousand people. Cotton, who came here some time ago, claimed to have boxed Jack Johnson a twenty-round draw, but tonight he had little chance to show any of his fighting ability, for as soon as the gong brought the men to the center of the ring Jumubo jabbed him with a straight left lead, which he followed with a terrific right cross to the jaw, dropping his man to the canvas like a log. Cotton was out for twenty minutes.

THE FAMOUS PEDESTRIAN DAN O'LEARY IN INDIANAPOLIS

Arranging for a Six Days' Walking Match—Valuable Prizes—Walkers from All Parts of Country Entering the Contest.

Before many more moons Indianapolis will be the scene of one of ye olden time walking matches. Some years ago walking was a favorite sport, but somehow in the more recent years it has been elbowed aside by the, perhaps, more fascinating games—baseball, prize fighting, horse racing and automobilig. And after all, the walking business was the best, was the greatest good to the greatest numbers in a way. The example meant the promotion of health, according to health rules as set down by the best authority. The strenuosity of the sporting fads of today do not permit much thought of the good results to health. Rather teaching the notion of winning at any cost.

When the grand old man, Dan O'Leary, somewhat grizzled but robust enough, dropped in on us, he was good to see. The world admires the individual of physical endurance. The world is at the feet of those who do great feats, especially those that stand first in their classes. Let come what may —defeat, poverty and the rest of it— these never totally disappear from the public mind. It is wonderful how the memory clings to these gladiators of the field of sports.

O'Leary, the pedestrian, has stood eminently in the spotlight of the world. In recent years but little has been heard of him. But no sooner is his name mentioned and the world is agog, watches every movement with the utmost interest. When the veteran of the field of pedestrianism dropped in reminders of the past came think and fast. He was good to see, and of course because of his world-wide reputation, he stood for so much in the world of sport; and wasn't he a living example of his theory of "walk and live?" And if he were not sufficient, isn't there yet the grand old man Weston still in the flesh tramping the country as merrily as school girls on a holiday jaunt? "Hills rose and hills fell but his heart was gay."

Mr. O'Leary is of average height, somewhat thin, but wiry and tough appearing, as if every muscle had in the training and fashioning been tested to its very capacity. The famous walker is approaching his seventieth year, yet from the agility noted in his movements he could easily pass for at least twenty years younger. In this respect he holds most beautiful, and of course in demonstration of his walk theory. Otherwise he fairly indicates his age, thus giving the appearance of the blending of youth and old age, which divided by two, gives the average middle aged man that he

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appears. Mr O'Leary is very anxious to have colored athletes take part in the coming contest. He spoke with considerable warmth of Frank Hart, a colored pedestrian whom he backed in the great contest at Madison Square Garden, in New York, in 1878, for the Ashley belt, and which Hart won. Only the older ones will remember this remarkable contest, which excited the attention of the sporting classes and the lovers of sport the world over.

Hart received what was in that day a fabulous sum for his achievement, $18,000, and by the way a good sum for any old day, and for any kind of man. There were seventeen contestants in all. Several of them were Englishmen, the others Americans, including the one negro, Frank Hart. It was a sweepstakes, $500 having been deposited with the "Sporting Life," a London publication, a condition of the match. This money was sent to England. Besides the amount of the stakes Hart received one-half of the gross receipts. O'Leary being the true-born sport that he is and an Irishman to boot, is yet delighted with what he brought about for the boy Hart. He speaks of it with great pride; holds it next to his own feats of flinging the dust in the eyes of the world as he passes by.

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This same belt had been won by O'Leary himself the year before, 1877, in England, winning it twice in that year. In one of these contests there were twenty Englishmen, he being the only American. In the other contest he walked against John Hughes. O'Leary lost to Chas. Rowell in 1878.

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We have referred to the grand old man Weston, who tramped from New York to San Francisco, Cal., and then back again. But O'Leary was grander yet—the very dean of the walking set. But in deference to Weston as it concerns those long tramps, O'Leary says, that he takes off his hat to him. Human endurance has nothing better to offer, he said. It were a glorious feat. O'Leary beat Weston in 1875 from November the 15th to the 20th, at the old Exposition, Chicago. He beat him again in London in 1877, also in San Francisco in 1880. O'Leary is 67 years, Weston 73.

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O'Leary looks like a prosperous business man on the verge of retiring. In his activity he appears a well preserved clerk or real estate dealer rather than of the professions. His reputation and achievements have been the means of an excellent position with a well-known manufacturer of rubber goods, especially rubber heels and soles for shoes. He enjoys a good salary and is not concerned about the wolf. O'Leary is a rubber heel faddist. He says that he always wears them, summer and winter, but wears only rubber soles in the winter. He showed heels and soles of his shoes in illustration of what he had to say.

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In June O'Leary will go to Russia with Henry Schmehl of Chicago, a well known athlete and an all round outdoor man and traveler, something on the order of Theodore Roosevelt. He will act as trainer for Schmehl, who is matched ta walk against a well-known Russian pedestrian, the match according to O'Leary, resulting from a bantering of words between the Emperor of Germany and the Czar of Russia, as to the prowess of the two nations along the pedestrian line.

Schmehl's father was of the corps of civil engineers in the German army during the Franco-Prussian war, which was in 1870. Bismarck and the celebrated Moltke were gerat friends to the senior Schmehl, and which friend ship extended to Schmehl junior, this especially on the part of Moltke, who watched over the young man's education. During the process of education his physical qualities were noted and tab has been ever kept on his movements even to his activities in America.

The Russian who will compete with the German is also distinguished for his physical ability, and also owing to his family name, being the nephew of Count Witte, the well known Russian, who came to Portsmouth not long since, as a peace envoy of that country to help in bringing about amicable relations between Japan and Russia. The peace envoys met at Nortsmouth, New Hampshire. The wager will be for $10,000 a side.

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O'Leary has made 43 trips across the Atlantic. Fourteen days were required for the first passage. He made the last trip in 4½ days in that greyhound of the ocean, the Mauretania. On one of these trips he was banqueted by eighty-seven members of parliament, a most notable recognition of his accomplishments. John Redmond and Chas. Stewart Parnell, those princely men and agitators for the cause of Irishmen, also paid the distinguished pedestrian marked attention.

When on the "old sod" O'Leary was scarcely permitted to walk. He was lauded as a true son of "Erin go Braugh," and whose sons make for fame and history wherever they may be. All life seem enlivened by Irish wit and story. The tragic strain also runs deep, reflected by those immortails of the stage. The rostrum, the legislative halls and the field of sport are replete with Irish eminents that will not allow the land of green to sink to insignificance.

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O'Leary has also been to Australia. He knew Peter Jackson when a boy and thinks that Sullivan rather wise in not giving him a show for the trophy. In fact, he has great admiration for colored men of athletic inclination, and he is doing his best to have some enter the contest in this city for which he is arranging.

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The match being arranged by O'Leary will take place in Tomlinson Hall in April for walkers and runners. Walkers will be on from 3 to 5:30 o'clock, runners from 8 to 10:30 p. m. each day. Total time will be 30 hours, 5 hours per day, for 6 days. The prizes will be worth the while. Already some noted walkers have notified Mr. O'Leary of their intention of entering, besides a number of pedestrians who are not so well known. The first prize, $500; second, $250; third $125; fourth $75; fifth $50; sixth $25. Besides these two gold and liamond medals for walkers and runners will be offered as special prizes. Other special prizes will be offered each day. Any contestant breaking down, his partner may continue and if successful he will get $100 and a championship medal.

The color line will not be drawn, but Mr. O'Leary reserves the privilege of selecting the contestants, their records being considered. Already above 128 men have presented their names for consideration, but only 20 will be selected, owing to the limited capacity of the hall.

The entrance feet is $25, payable to Dan O'Leary, care Indianapolis Star, one of the leading publications of Indianapolis. Entries close March 16th.

ST. LOUIS GIANTS WILL GO SOUTH

Will Leave February 28 for Montgomery, Ala., with Charley Mills at Helm.

Charley Mills and his hustling St. Louis Giants, the fastest colored club the Mound City ever placed on a ball field, will make a tour of the South, leaving here February 28, and making their first stop in Montgomery, Ala.

If the proposed formation of the Southwestern Negro League of Professional Ball Clubs is a "go," Manager Mills will have his players in shape to meet the strong visiting teams. The league, as now outlined, will include St. Louis, Chicago, Kansas City, Louisville, Cincinnati, Minneapolis, Oklahoma and New Orleans.

The officers of the league are Floyd Ross of St. Louis, president; Harry Daniels, of New York, secretary; S. J. Weaver, of Kansas City, treasurer. The advance agents of the proposed new league are Charles A. Mills, Noah Warrington and Elmer Pettis.

JACK JOHNSON ON BASEBALL

Stands Up for Negro National League—Prospects Growing Brighter.

To my idea it will be one of the greatest things that has ever happened for the Negro, if it goes through. There is no one that knows from the actual experience, better thanI, under what trying conditions the Negro has been existing in baseball. The road has certainly been a rocky one, with plenty of thorns and thistles along the side. In other words, it has been very discouraging for the colored player, and I know of several of our so-called stars who really have quit the game on account of the conditions and the future for a long time has looked to be as dim as at that present time. Many has been the time when, on Monday and Tuesday we would just be arranging games for the following Saturday and Sunday. Then we would not know who or what kind of club we had on schedule, only simply by name, consequently a big lot of patronage would be lost from the fact that some didnt really know who we were supposed to play, others would figure that the game would only be a farce and a large one-sided score the outcome. Right they would be, for the club would likely show up with about one-half of the lineup being green youngsters that had never played a game together before. Then the so-called farce would be pulled off. I contend that these conditions are not likely to occur with the clubs of the league as each club would practically be intact the season through, would have something to fight for and each manager would consequently show more interest. Then we could tell in April just where and who we were going to play in August and September.

It has certainly been proven from the big leagues on down to the minors, that there is nothing in the world that beats organized baseball and harmony. Of course we cannot expect to cope right along with the big leagues the first season or two, but we can follow their method and system as far as we go. Good judgment can be used in adopting a schedule in regard to the shortest jumps, conflicting dates with white league clubs, etc., which would certainly mean success. Week-day baseball can be worked up to a paying basis the same as Sunday ball has. From the fact that the most cities of the league would put out good strong clubs, would be attractions that would draw at any time and at any place where baseball is known at all. So many times the white fans have been heard to remark, "I would rather go to see those colored boys play than one of the big league games." To prove this look how they used to pass right by the White Sox gate at 39th street to get to Auburn park at 79th street to watch the "Lelands." (The same conditions exist in other cities.)

Then look at the prestige, standing and rating it will give each club under the heading "Negro National League." What a great thing it would be to have an official record and per cent kept of each club and player. Then we will not have to argue and squabble as to the real merits of John and Willie.

Take it from me, I say first, last and always, "Let's get together."

JACK JOHNSON,
119 West 6th St., Kansas City, Mo.

PLAY BALL.

New Orleans Club Astir—Games are Scheduled for Early Spring.

NEW ORLEANS, La.—The New Orleans baseball club has just finished its booking for the spring training. We mean to have one of the fastest clubs in the South. The team will be composed of some of the classiest ball players in the South. Manager Walker started the boys to practice Monday evening, with eighteen men. All the boys seem to be very anxious to make good. Out of the eighteen men only twelve will be on the regular line-up. Frank Polambo, owner of the club, says he will let no stone go unturned in order to make his club the best in the South, and everybody knows the old man is some sport—game to the core. It looks as though the line-up will be: Ephraim and Davis, catchers; Lee, Brown, Scott and Robertson, formerly with the New York Black Sox, pitchers; Walker, manager and captain, first base; Percy Wilson, second base; Butch Hill, third base; Bartholomew, shortstop; Stephenson, left field; Hanody, center field; Boots, right field; Frank Polambo, owner. Everybody here is wishing great games.

The spring dates are as follows: Kansas City Royal Giants, March 5, 6; St. Louis Giants, March 11, 12, 19, 20; Leland Giants (Rube Foster), March 26, 27, April 2, 3; Cuban Stars, April 9, 10, 16, 17; Philadelphia Giants, April 23, 24, 30, May 1; Atlanta Deppens, May 8, 9; Birmingham Giants, May 15, 16; Mobile, May 22, 23, 24; Cuban Giants, June 5, 6, 12, 13. New Orleans will then leave for the annual tour, expecting to be in New York two months, July and August. All visiting clubs intending to come South should not overlook New Orleans. Address Frank Walker, 8838 Oak street, New Orleans.

BASKET BALL TEAM, COLUMBUS, GA.

Columbus colored Y. M. C. A. basket ball team defeated the A. B. C. boys of Atlanta in both contests Monday and Tuesday, by a score of 10 to 5, and 13 to 3. After the first half of Tuesday's contest there was a prize fight. Mr. Zemerica Walker, the promoter, announced Mr. Guy Luke vs. Eugene Lyers for six rounds, in which Mr. Luke was counted out in the fourth round. There was a very large crowd to witness both contests.

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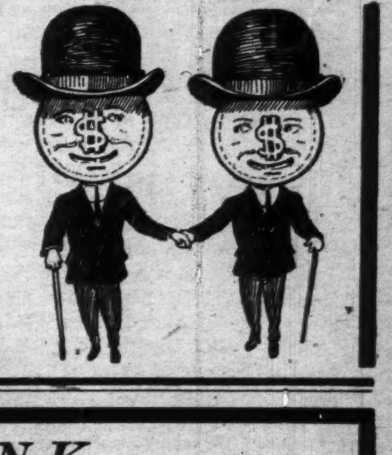

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Miss Grace Mack is much better.

Mrs. Henry Lewis is on the sick list.

Miss Blanche Gilmore has returned home.

Mr. William Kurtz is visiting in Elizabethtown, Ky.

Mrs. Veola Craig entertained at a six-course luncheon.

Mr. George Higgins is spending a week in Louisville, Ky.

Mrs. Julia Brown spent Saturday and Sunday in Kokomo.

Mr. Byron Keeth, of Danville, Ky., spent Tuesday in the city.

Mrs. Jennie Hoss left Thursday for a few days in New Albany.

Mr. and Mrs. John Downing spent Tuesday in the city shopping.

Mrs. Elizabeth Gee spent this week in Fort Benjamin Harrison.

Mr. W. L. Jones, of Mason City, Ia., was in the city this week.

Mrs. Emma Dorsey is confined to her home, suffering with rheumatism.

Mrs. Kate Wenlock left Friday morning for a short stay in Cincinnati, O.

Mr. Leroy Tucker, of Boston, Mass., passed through the city Wednesday.

Mr. Charles Elliott has left the city to spen dsome time at Frenck Lick, Ind.

The State Board of Charities will serve dinner at the new Pythian Hall Sunday.

Mrs. Mattie Brown, 616 Blake street, is spending several days in Newport, Ky.

Mrs. Emma Pierce of New Albany, is the week-end guest of Mrs. Horace Tyler.

Services will be held at St. Phillips church every Thursday throughout Lent.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Morton are visiting in South Carolina for two weeks.

All news must reach this office not later than Wednesday noon to insure insertion.

Mrs. Jesse Coleman, of Vincennes, attended the Bachelor's dance Friday evening.

Mrs. Roberta Parker left Friday morning for a month's stay in Jacksonville, Fla.

Mrs. Blanche Logan, of Atlanta, Ga., is the guest of relatives and friends in the city.

Mrs. Jerry Daniels was hostess to the B. T. H. S. Whist Club Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Bessie Harris entertained at an after-theater four-course dinner Monday evening.

Mr. A. J. Allen, of Logansport, Ind., who met with a serious accident, is much better.

Miss Bertha Carlisle, of Evansville, Ind., returned home Monday, after a week among friends.

St. Phillips Mission held a very successful whist party at the Dumas Club Monday evening.

The Bachelor Club held a dance at Odd Fellows Hall Friday evening, and was largely attended.

Mrs. Harvey Howard, of Oberlin, O., is spending a few days among relatives and friends this week.

Mr. Henry Rogan, prominent in fraternal circles, continues ill at his home in West Twelfth street.

After a long and continued illness, Mr. Othello Broyles, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Broyles, 832 Athon street died Saturday and was buried from the family residence Tuesday morning. The services were conducted by the Rev. B. J. Prince, T. A. Smyth and Morris Lewis. He leaves a large number of relatives and a host of friends, who will mourn their loss.

Mrs. Anna Pope, of Glencoe, Ill., was called to the bedside of her mother, Mrs. Maggie Harris las week.

Misses Phillips and Scott spent Saturday and Sunday in Logansport as the guest of Mrs. A. J. Allen.

Miss Luella Chinn, of Louisville, Ky., visited her mother, Mrs. John Lewis, in Superior street last week.

Mrs. Brown, of Chicago, Ill., is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Sadie B. Dungey in North West street.

The Anderson Giants and the Anderson Cubs will take up their practicing next weeek. James Anderson, captain.

Mr. L. C. Smith is on the sick list.

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Mrs. Jeanette Hines and Mrs. Robinson, of Shelbyville, were in the city Friday, to attend the funeral of Mrs. Sadie Reed.

Messrs. Royq Locklear and George Worthington will spend Sunday at Greenfield, Ind., the guests of Miss Ora Merida.

The Vanity Club gave a very pretty matinee dance Feb. 22nd, at Odd Fellows Hall. Quite a large crowd was present.

Misses Ada Gayton, Ather Chimes, Myrtle Larkin and Fannie White entertained at dinner at the Washington Cafe, Sunday.

Miss Lizzie Phillips, a niece of Mrs. Belle Davis, made a flying trip to Louisville in the interest of catering work this week.

Mrs. Clara Eastman Pickens, of Chicago, is at the bedside of her father, who is quite ill at his residence in Darnell street.

The whist party given for the benefit of Lincoln hospital Friday evening at the Duumas Club was socially and financially a success.

Mr. Walter H. Brown, of Madeira street, Norwood, met with a painful accident Monday, being badly burned from a lamp explosion.

Mrs. Eliza Bowles, well known in benevolent work, is confined to her home in Fayette street. Friends hope for a speedy recovery.

Mrs. James Wilson entertained the Frau Frau Club with a dinner Thursday afternoon. Whist was the feature of the afternoon.

Mrs. Susie Williams, Mrs. Bertha Reed, Misses Laura Ellington and Ella Thomas spent a pleasant day in Franklin, Ind., last Sunday.

Rev. Burr, of Columbus, O., who has conducted a successful revival meeting at Bethel A. M. E. church, leaves for his home tomorrow.

Mrs. Sadie B. Dungey, Grand Worthy Counsellor of the Courts of Calanthe of Indiana, was in Richmond this week on official business

Mr. John Montgomery and Miss Bessie Evans, of Franklin, attended the Lotus Club entertainment at the Sumner League Wednesday evening.

The Lotus Club entertained in honor of its members Wednesday evening at the Sumner League. A happy time was spent by those present.

Misses Hester Mingo and Stella Kennedy of North Indianapolis, were hostesses to a large number of friends at tea, Tuesday afternoon.

All members of K. of P. lodges and Courts of Calanthe are requested to be present at the new Pythian Hall, which will be dedicated tomorrow.

Rev. Mrs. Cassie Jackson left Thursday for her home in Peru, and will assist Rev. Beck in a revival meeting at Crawfordsville, Ind., next week.

Don't fail to attend the musicale given at the residence of Mrs. A. H. Henderson for the benefit of St. Phillips church, March 28th. Admission, ten cents.

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During the engagement of Murphy and Francis last week they were entertained at dinner by Mrs. G. Billingsley, in Muskingum Street, and Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Knox, in Chicago Street.

The Flanner Guild Zouaves has been reorganized and will begin drilling next Wednesday evening. All boys desiring to become members can be present. James Anderson, captain.

Mr. Harry Bartow, well known in musical circles of Chicago, made a flying trip to this city this week, in the interest of musical tolent for the big musical jubilee to be held in that city in April.

Mrs. Clyde Bell, in W. North street, gave a social for the Bethel choir Thursday evening. An excellent program was rendered, and several musical numbers were given. Refreshments were served.

Mrs. Irene Thurman McCoy was the guest of Miss Bessie Coleman, 722 Chicago street, Saturday, enroute to her home in Chicago, from Kentucky, where she attended the funeral of her father, Mr. Finn.

A party of friends gave a surprise to Mr. and Mrs. Will Davis Tuesday evening. A large number of presents were received. Whist and dancing were indulged. Refreshments were served and the event was well appreciated.

Miss Gertrude Farris entertained the B. T. H. S. Whist club Thursday afternoon of last week. A splendid lunch was served and the table decorations were cut flowers and the club colors, black and gold. Mrs. Edward Bottom won first prize; Miss Ora Mrida second; Mrs. Frank Rowden, booby. The guests were Mrs. Laura Robinson, Miss Ada Seabolt, of Battle Creek, Mich., and Mrs. Hannah Snowden, of Chicago.

Mrs. Charles Harmon, of Evansville, Ind., is the guest of Miss Ida Mae Myller. Many social functions are planned in her honor. The following persons have entertained for her this week: Mrs. Mattie Grigsby, at dinner Monday; Mrs. Bessie Mosby, dinner Wednesday, and was the guest of honor at the birthday surprise of Mrs. G. W. Ward; Mrs. Maggie Ralston, at tea Thursday afternoon and Mrs. Agnes Thompson at dinner Friday evening.

Mr. William Bass, formerly of Indianapolis, but now of Buffalo, N. Y., was in the city during the week enroute to Bloomington to visit his mother and in the meantime get his little son "Master Paul Bass," the famous boy tenor, who will make his future home with his father in the East. Mr. Bass will, also, take his aged mother back with him. Mr. Bass has met with signal success in a business venture in the bison city, and is desirous of having the remaining living members of hisfamily reside with him in his newhome.

Mr. Frank Rowden entertained Monday evening with a Washington smoker. Prize whist was the feature of the evening. The first prize was won by Prof. R. Roy Pope; the second, Mr. R. Johnson; the booby, Mr. Roy Locklear. Midnight lnuch was served and Mr. R. Johnson was toastmaster. The guests organized a club, the name to be chosen later. The following officers were elected: President, Dr. R. Wirt Smith; vice president, Roy Locklear; secretary, Benjamin Harrison; treasurer, Prof. R. Roy Pope; Frank Rowden, chairman of committee on constitution and by-laws.

Mrs. Ollie Dempsey, wife of Ollie Dempsey, the well known theatrical manager, of Cincinnati, was in the city a few hours last Monday enroute to Spokane, Wash. Mrs. Dempsey expressed herself as much impressed with the West as the land of great promise for the financial development of the Negro in the future. Her mission to Spokane is for the purpose of purchasing a hotel which she means to conduct along lines of every modern convenience and requirement of the traveling public. She believes Spokane to be the best suited city in the West for her proposed investment. Her many friends back in the Middle West wish her every possible success in her venture.

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The services of Olivet Baptist church were largely attended all day last Sunday. This church is doing great work. They have a benevolent fun dand have relieved many suffering ones, which is highly appreciated by the community. The young people are taking an active part in their work. The B. Y. P. U. is largely attended, and choir renders excellent music at each service. The pastor, Rev. Chas. W. Lewis, deserves great credit for the wonderful work that is now in progress.

The W. C. T. U. held memorial meeting of Abriham Lincoln and Frances Willard Friday evening at the Second Christian church. Quite an interesting program was rendered. Rev. Philmore, of the Hillside Christian church delivered the Lincoln address. Mrs. W. E. Henderson read a paper, "Frances Willard." Short talks were given by various ministers of the city, and solos were rendered by the Misses Roberts and Harper.

The Kenedia Whist Club was royally entertained by Mrs. Laura Williams, 805 California street and will meet with Mrs. Galloway in Superior street next Friday.

The Semper Fidelis Club will meet with Mrs. Mattie Tucker, Seventeenth and Yandes streets next Thursday.

The Woman's Club will meet with Mrs. Blanche Scott, 834 Torbet street, Monday afternoon.

The East End Needle Club will meet with Mrs. Annie Burke next Friday.

The Elizabeth Carter Council met with its president, Mrs. Melvina Smith in Yandes street Tuesday evening.

Rev. W. L. Burr will preach Sunday morning at the Bethel A. M. E. church from this subject: "Every Man Must Meet His Lion." Sunday evening: "God's Witness."

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BETHEL CHURCH.

Dr. Burr, who has been assisting Dr. Smythe with his revival meeting, will preach his farewell sermon Sunday morning. In the evening the Missionary Society of the church, assisted by other societies of the city, will hold memorial service in honor of Bishop and Mrs. Grant. Several fine addresses will be delivered and musical numbers rendered. The Christian Endeavor prayer meeting will be led by Mr. Thomas E. Taylor.

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Rev. J. W. Chinn, of Yonkers, N. Y., preached an able sermon Sunday evening.

The Sunday school, under the superintendency of Dr. C. R. Adkins, is increasing in interest and numerically. Mrs. Josephine Brady, the new organist, is giving good satisfaction in her services.

Aid No. 2 met last week at Mrs. Mary Barbour's, 1023 North Missouri.

The fourth quarterly meeting services will be held all day Sunday, the 26th. Dr. Skelton will officiate. Rev. Harvey will preach at 3 p. m.

The quarterly conference will be held Monday night, and the love feast Tuesday evening. This is a banner year for Simpson Chapel.

The Lexington annual conference, which includes the colored membership of the M. E. Church in Indiana, Kentucky, Ohio and Illinois, will meet March 29, at Springfield, O.

SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH.

The regular services of the Second Baptist church are the same as they were at the old church, excepting the Thursday nights, which are used by the Metropolitan church. Morning services: Sunday school from 9:30 to 10:45; then 5 minutes intermission; 10:55, praise services behin. Preaching begins each Sunday morning at 11:20. Evening services: B. Y. P. U., 6:30 to 7:55, then regular preaching service begins. The Second Baptist church solicits the presence of all the citizens and friends of the community in erecting its new edifice which work will begin between the 15th of May and the first of June. For this purpose the church is appealing to all the members who can to give one-tenth of their substance and to all friends to give what they can. The pastor is giving into the hands of members and friends coupon books with stubs and receipts to solicit funds from the public to assist in constructing the new edifice. Any book not bearing the seal of the church we appeal to the public not to contribute thereto, but report the names of such parties to the pastor or his officers. On the 14th of May will be the grand rally of thechurch, at which time there will be a ground breaking at the old church to begin the foundation of the new building, and we beg all the citizens, white and colored, who are interested in the demenption of the souls of men, to assist us in raising in that rally \$6,000. O. L. Ballenger, church reporter.

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Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

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Dr. Prince's ability is too well known to have anything said in his behalf and a packed house of men is assured to hear this pleasing and convincing speaker.

Music by the Y. M. C. A. Orchestra and Glee Club. A special feature will be the solo by Mr. J. W. Carson, leader of the Glee Club. Program begins promptly at 3:30 p. m. Men only.

One of the strong features of the association work are the Bible classes. The Tuesday night Bible class is rapidly forging in the lead of them all. It commences at 6:30 p. m., with a bean supper and at 7 p. m. enter into the study of the lesson, which closes promptly at 8 p. m. Rev. D. F. White is the teacher. On last Tuesday the class presented Rev. White with one year's subscription to Association Men, the official organ of the Y. M. C. A. of the country, and a beautiful "Christian Workers' Every-day Testament." The Tuesday, Thursday, Gym and Glee club Bible classes are laying plans for an active campaign for members. In next Wednesday the Bible classes will hold a reception for the new members who have recently joined the Y. M. C. A., thus bringing them into closer contact with the work of the Bible classes are doing in the association. If you are not a member to any of these classes, come next Wednesday and join and make this Bible movement felt over all Indianapolis.

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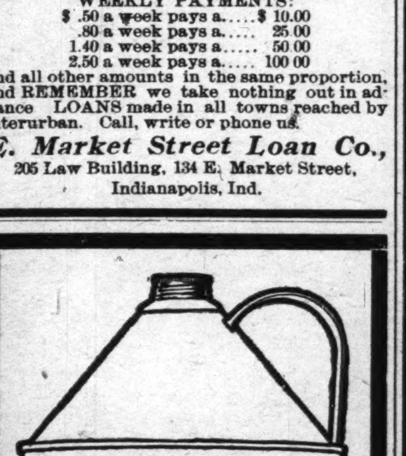

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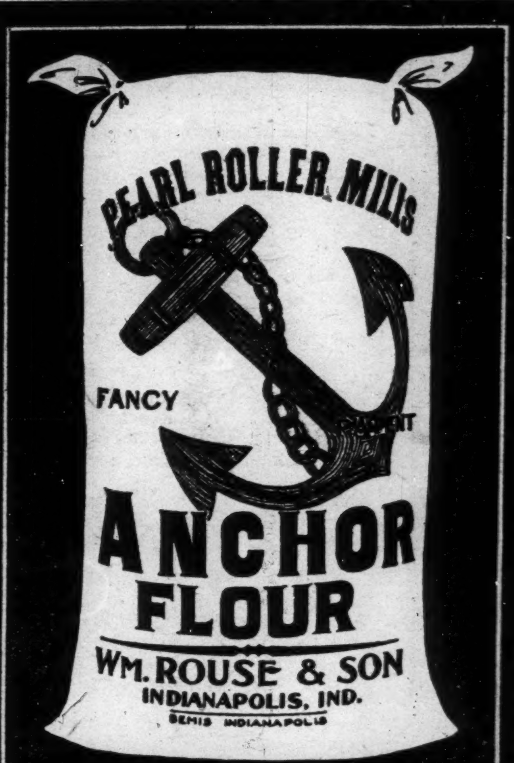

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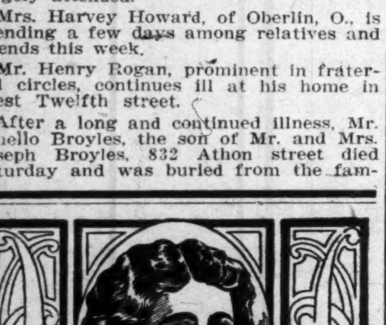

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